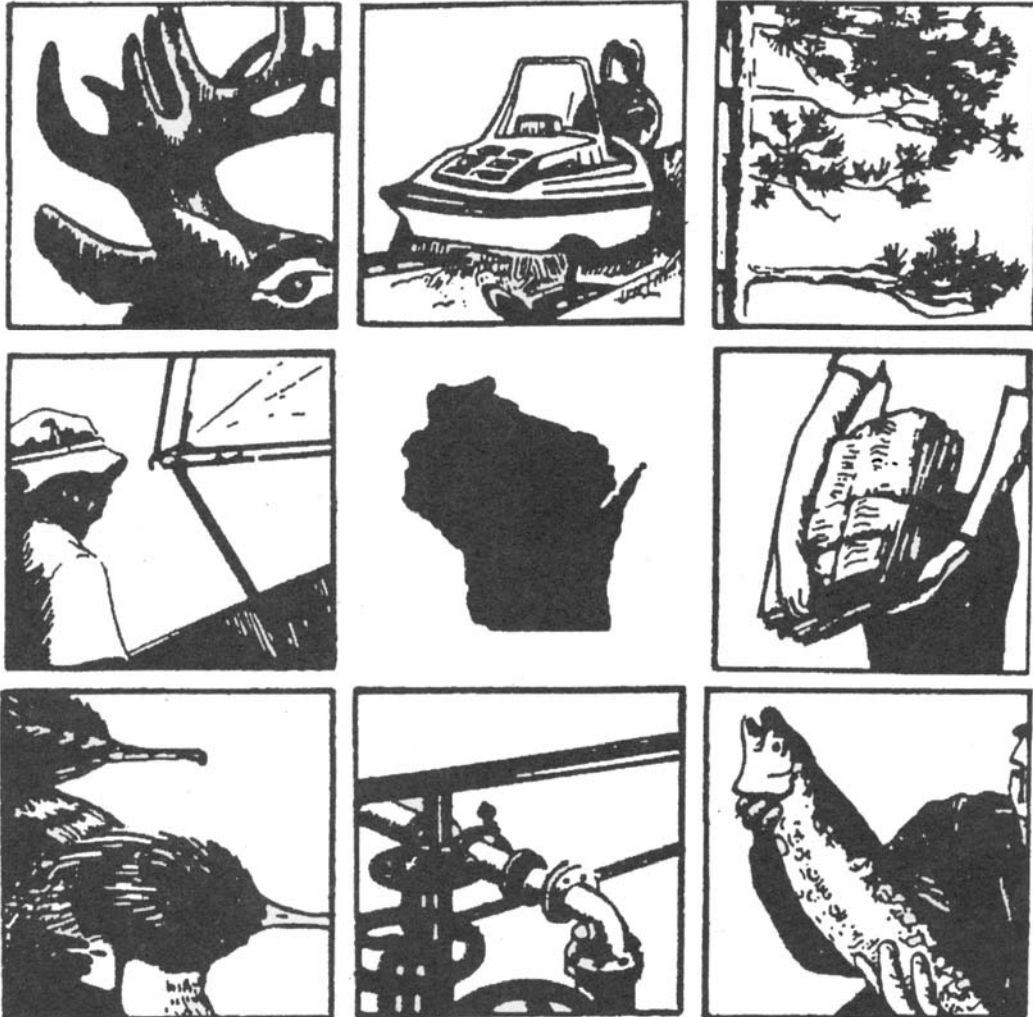


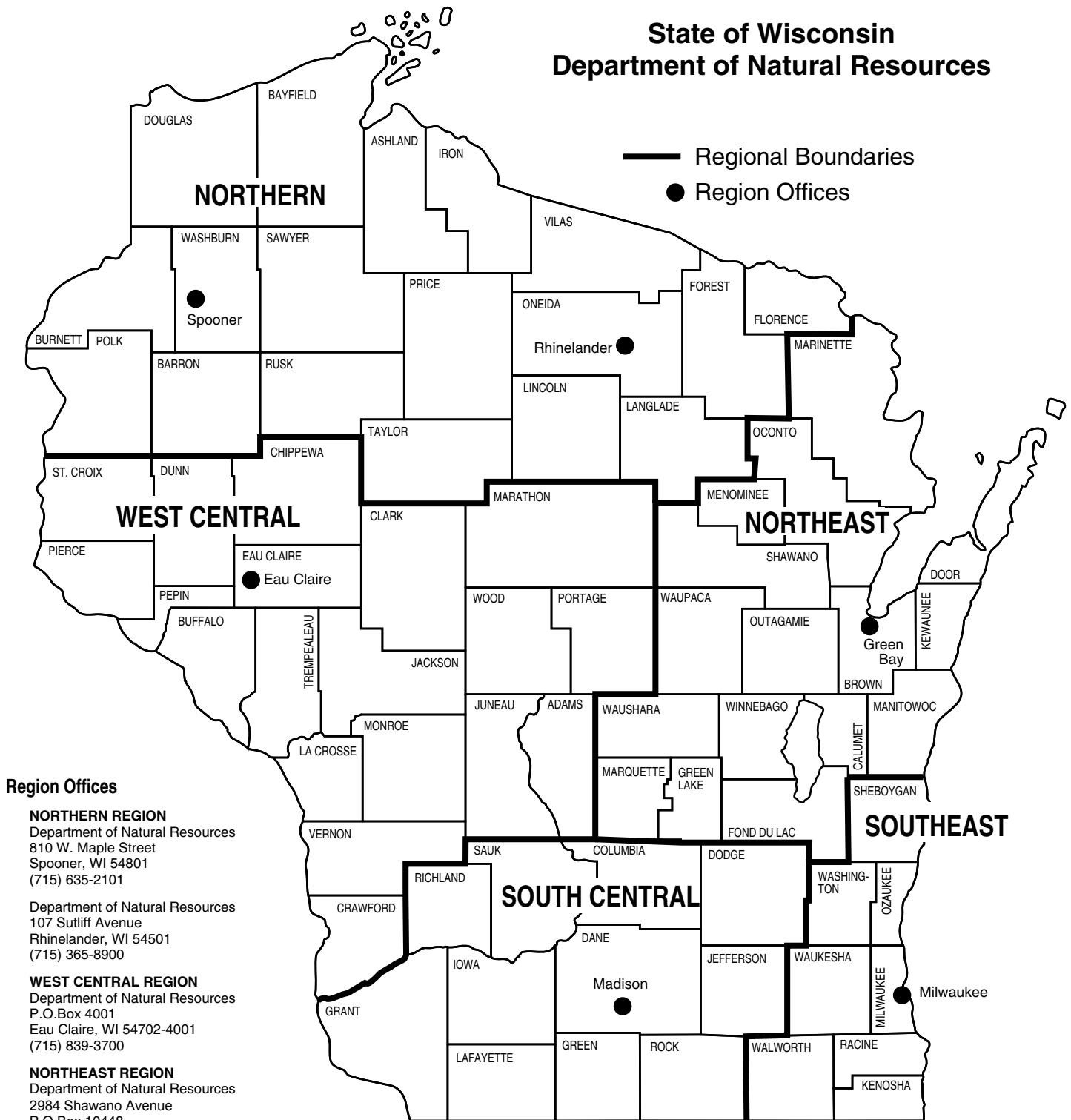
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ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLES (ATV)

Authorization: s. 23.33, Wis. Stats.

Budget: 2003-2004 Fiscal Year = \$1,738,300
2004-2005 Fiscal Year = \$2,771,900

Objective: To provide funds to accommodate all-terrain vehicles through the acquiring, insuring, developing, and maintaining of all-terrain vehicle trails and areas, including routes.

Eligibility: Counties, cities, villages, and towns.

Level of Assistance: Up to 100% of costs up to \$450 per mile if ATV trail is available for spring, summer, and fall riding. Up to 100% of costs up to \$100 per mile if the trail is available only for winter riding opportunity. Up to 50% of the approved eligible costs for maintaining an all-terrain vehicle area. Up to 100% of the approved eligible costs to develop ATV trails and areas.

Priorities:

- ◆ Maintenance of existing approved trails and areas, including routes.
- ◆ Purchase of liability insurance.
- ◆ Acquisition of easements.
- ◆ Major rehabilitation of bridge structures or trails.
- ◆ Acquisition of land in fee and development of new trails and areas.

Eligible Types of Projects: Development, maintenance, insurance, acquisition, and rehabilitation.

Applications: Applications are available at DNR Regional offices and are due by April 15 of each year.

History: Since its inception in 1985, this grant program has provided over \$11,000,000 for the construction and maintenance of all-terrain vehicle trails and intensive-use areas.

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DNR regional Community Service Specialist; see pages 95-98

Website: <http://www.dnr.state.wi.us/org/caer/cfa/grants/atvenforce.html>

ALL TERRAIN VEHICLE (ATV) ENFORCEMENT PATROL

Authorization: s. 23.33 (9), Wis. Stats., s. NR 64.15, Wis. Admin. Code

Budget: Grants are prorated if requests exceed available funding.

2001-2002 Fiscal Year = \$70,000

2002-2003 Fiscal Year = \$70,000

2003-2004 Fiscal Year = \$100,000

2004-2005 Fiscal Year = \$200,000

Objective: To provide grants to county sheriffs for all-terrain vehicle patrols.

Eligibility: Counties

Level of Assistance: Counties may receive up to 100% of their net costs for the enforcement of s. 23.33, Wis. Stats. If their claims exceed monies available, the Department shall prorate the payments.

Priorities: Patrols must function as a county sheriff's law enforcement unit.

Eligible Types of Projects: Salaries of officers engaged in the enforcement of s. NR 64.15 at a rate no more than the regular straight-time rate. Fringe benefits cannot exceed 20% of the gross salary. Travel, materials, and supplies are reimbursable. Depreciation is calculated at a rate of 12% annually on all equipment (trailers) over \$1000 except ATVs, which is calculated at the rate of 20% annually.

Applications: A county must file a *Notice of Intent to Patrol* form with the DNR on or before June 1 of each year. Claim forms shall be filed with the DNR on or before June 1. Forms and information are available from the Bureau of Law Enforcement.

History: For the 2003-2004 fiscal year, 30 counties submitted *Intent to Patrol* forms.

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Website: <http://www.dnr.state.wi.us/org/caer/cfa/Grants/atvenforce.html>

AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES GRANTS

Authorization: ss. 23.22 (2)(c), Wis. Stats.; ch. NR 198, Wis. Admin. Code

Budget: 2004-2005 Fiscal Year = \$500,000

Objective: To control aquatic invasive species aquatic invasive species (AIS) in lakes and rivers and their ecosystems.

Eligibility: Any entity that is eligible for a State Lake or River grant is also eligible for an AIS grant.

Level of Assistance: 50% of project costs up to a maximum grant amount of \$75,000, except for Early Detection and Rapid Response projects which are eligible for a maximum grant amount of 50% of project costs up to a maximum grant amount of \$10,000.

Priorities: Priorities are set on a statewide basis (see s. NR 198, Wis. Admin. Code) and consider the following factors:

- ◆ The degree to which the project includes a prevention and control strategy.
- ◆ The degree to which the project prevents the spread of aquatic invasive species.
- ◆ The degree to which the project results in long-term control.
- ◆ The degree to which the project protects or improves the aquatic ecosystem's diversity, ecological stability or recreational uses.
- ◆ The degree to which the project complements other management efforts.
- ◆

Eligible Types of Projects: Grants are available for the education, prevention and planning projects; early detection and rapid response projects; or established infestation control projects.

Applications: From DNR regional Lake Coordinators or DNR regional Environmental Grants Specialists. Applications need to be received in the regional offices by May 1 of each year.

Contacts: For questions about eligible projects, contact the appropriate DNR regional Lake Coordinator; see pages 92-93. For questions about eligible project costs, contact the appropriate DNR regional Environmental Grants Specialists; see pages 95-98.

Website: <http://www.dnr.state.wi.us/org/caer/cfa/bureau/programs.html>
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BROWNFIELD SITE ASSESSMENT GRANT PROGRAM

Authorization: s. 292.75, Wis. Stats., and ch. NR 168, Wis. Admin. Code.

Budget: 2003-2004 Fiscal Year = \$1,700,000
2004-2005 Fiscal Year = \$1,700,000

Objective: This program was created to assist local governmental units in assessing environmental contamination and conducting environmental site preparation actions at eligible brownfield sites or facilities.

An eligible brownfields site or facility is defined as one or more contiguous industrial or commercial facilities or sites with common or multiple ownership that are abandoned, idle, or underused, the expansion or redevelopment of which is adversely affected by actual or perceived environmental contamination.

Eligibility: Local governmental units -- including cities, villages, towns, counties, tribes and redevelopment, community development, or housing authorities -- are eligible to apply for this grant. The applicant cannot have caused the environmental contamination at the site. The person who caused the environmental contamination must be unknown, unable to be located or financially unable to pay for grant activities.

Level of Assistance: Available funding is divided between small and large grants: 60% of funds are allocated to small grants (between \$2,000 and \$30,000); 40% are allocated for large grants (between \$30,001 and \$100,000). A single applicant may be awarded no more than 15% of all funds available in each fiscal year.

Priorities: If sufficient funds are not available to fund all eligible, complete applications, the DNR is required to score and rank eligible, complete applications and award points in accordance with the criteria set forth in ss. NR 168.13(2), (3), and (4), Wis. Admin. Code. The criteria are applied on a statewide basis. Grant funding is offered to the highest ranked applicant, then continuing down the ranked list until all funds in a year are allocated.

Eligible Types of Projects: Grants from this program reimburse local governments for the following eligible activities:

- ◆ Phase I and Phase II environmental site assessments and ch. NR 716 site investigations;
- ◆ Demolition of structures, buildings, or improvements, including necessary asbestos abatement; and
- ◆ Removal of underground petroleum product storage tank systems and hazardous substance storage tank systems, and removal of abandoned containers.

Applications: At least one application cycle will be offered per fiscal year, if funding is available. A fact sheet, application, and instructions may be obtained from the DNR. Please see the Bureau for Remediation and Redevelopment's web site for information on the next application cycle.

History: The Brownfields Study Group, a state-wide advisory task force, recommended the creation of the Brownfield Site Assessment Grant (SAG) program in their 1998 final report. The State Legislature first authorized funds for the SAG program in the 1999-2001 State Biennial Budget. In the first 5 rounds of grants awarded, the DNR has given out 212 grants for a total of \$6.56 million. Grants have gone to 103 different Wisconsin communities.

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BROWNFIELDS GREEN SPACE AND PUBLIC FACILITIES GRANT PROGRAM

Authorization: s. 292.79, Wis. Stats.

Budget: There was \$1 million available for the 2003-2005 biennium.

Objective: This program was created to promote the cleanup of brownfields where the end-use has a long-term public benefit, including preservation of green space, development of recreational areas or use by a local government. A brownfield is an abandoned, idle, or underused industrial or commercial site or facility, the expansion or redevelopment of which is adversely affected by actual or perceived environmental contamination.

Eligibility: Eligible applicants are local units of government, including cities, villages, towns, counties, redevelopment authorities, community development authorities and housing authorities. Eligible costs include activities to remedy environmental contamination.

Level of Assistance: Grants up to \$200,000 are available.

Priorities: If sufficient funds are not available to fund all eligible, complete applications, the DNR is required to score and rank eligible, complete applications and award points in accordance with the criteria proposed ch. NR 173, Wis. Admin. Code. Grant funding is offered to the highest ranked applicant, then continuing down the ranked list until all funds are allocated. Projects are ranked according to the following criteria: project need, applicant commitment, financial contribution, and environmental benefits.

Comment [klm1]: These are reversed in order compared to the rest of the document; Priorities should come before Eligible Types of Projects.

Eligible Types of Projects: Eligible projects include cleanup of brownfields where the end use has a long-term public benefit.

Applications: Applications are available on the Bureau for Remediation and Redevelopment's web site.

History: The Brownfields Study Group, a state-wide advisory task force, recommended the creation of the program in their 2000 final report. The State Legislature then authorized \$1 million for the program in the 2001-2003 State Biennial Budget, however no grants were awarded that biennium because the funds lapsed into the general fund due to the budget repair law. In the Spring of 2004 the first \$1 million in grants were awarded to 11 brownfield projects.

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CLEAN WATER FUND LOAN PROGRAM

Authorization: ss. 281.58 and 281.59, Wis. Stats.

Budget: Approximately \$200 million annually available for loans.

Objective: To protect water quality by correcting existing wastewater and storm water treatment problems and preventing future problems.

Eligibility: Any city, town, village, county, county utility district, town sanitary district, public inland lake protection and rehabilitation district, metropolitan sewerage district or federally recognized Indian tribe or band in Wisconsin.

Level of Assistance: Low interest rate loans. Additional assistance to low-income municipalities with up to a 70% grant and an interest-free loan.

Priorities: Protection of human health and water quality (see s. NR 162.30, Wis. Admin. Code).

Eligible Types of Projects: Construction of wastewater and stormwater treatment facilities, sewer systems, and interceptors necessary to prevent a violation of discharge limits, to meet new or changed limits, or to protect human health and water quality in unsewered areas.

Applications: A *Notice of Intent to Apply* must be submitted by December 31 of the year prior to the year in which an application will be submitted. Applications are normally accepted on a continuous basis and projects are funded as they are ready for construction. In years with insufficient funding, projects are ranked on the basis of environmental and human health protection.

History: The program was authorized in 1987 to replace the wastewater construction grants programs. Over \$2 billion of loans have been issued under the program

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COUNTY CONSERVATION AIDS

Authorization: s. 23.09 (12), Wis. Stats., ch. NR 50, Wis. Admin. Code

Budget: 2003-2004 Fiscal Year = \$0
2004-2005 Fiscal Year = \$150,000

Objective: Carry out fish or wildlife management projects.

Eligibility: Counties or recognized Indian tribes.

Level of Assistance: 50% of eligible activities.

Priorities: Projects that enhance fish and wildlife habitat or fishing and hunting opportunities.

Eligible Types of Projects: Projects related to providing improved fish or wildlife habitat or projects related to hunter/angler facilities.

Applications: Contact appropriate DNR regional Community Service Specialist.

History: The County Conservation Aid Program was created to assist Wisconsin counties in the improvement of the fish and game resources. The fund was established by the Wisconsin Legislature in 1965 as an alternative to highly questionable bounty payment program on coyote, foxes and bobcats.

Contact: Refer to DNR regional Community Service Specialists; see page 95-98.

Website: None at this time.

COUNTY FOREST ACREAGE PAYMENTS

Authorization: ss. 20.370(5)(bv) and 28.11(8)(a), Wis. Stats.

Budget: 2003-2004 Fiscal Year = \$706,000
2004-2005 Fiscal Year = \$706,000

Objective: To provide financial assistance to towns with lands enrolled under the County Forest Law, in lieu of local tax revenue.

Eligibility: Towns in counties having lands enrolled under the County Forest Law.

Level of Assistance: Towns receive \$.30 per acre payments based on acreage in the town enrolled under the County Forest Law.

Priorities: Each town determines how payment will be used.

Eligible Types of Projects: Statute places no restrictions.

Applications: None required

History: Payments have been made since the inception of the County Forest program in 1929 to compensate the Towns for the lost tax base. The acreage payment was \$.10/acre from 1929 through 1961, with further increases to \$.15/acre in 1962, \$.20/acre in 1972 and \$.30/acre in 1989.

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COUNTY FOREST ADMINISTRATOR GRANT

Authorization: ss. 20.370(5)(bw) and 28.11(5m), Wis. Stats.

Budget: 2003-2004 Fiscal Year = \$1,035,000
2004-2005 Fiscal Year = \$1,157,000

Objective: Promote the hiring of professional forestry staff by counties.

Eligibility: Counties must have land enrolled under the County Forest Law. Annual work plan must be approved. Salary must be for a County Forest Administrator or Assistant Administrator possessing a 4-year forestry degree from a university accredited in forestry curriculum.

Level of Assistance: Grant contributes 50% of the annual salary and fringe benefit costs. Fringe benefit costs may not exceed 40% of the salary of the applicant's eligible staff.

Priorities: County determines interest and priority.

Eligible Types of Projects: County Forest Administrator or Assistant County Forest Administrator.

Applications: Requests must be submitted by January 31 with the County Forest Specialist, DNR Division of Forestry.

History: In its present form, the County Forest Administrator grant program has been in existence since 1994. The grant essentially replaced state cost-sharing for county forest administrator positions that were created during the 1980s. None of the past cost-shared administrator positions remain.

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Website: None at this time.

COUNTY FOREST PROJECT LOANS

Authorization: ss. 20.370(5)(bq) and (bs), 28.11(8)(b), 28.11(9), Wis. Stats.; s. NR 47.70, Wis. Admin. Code.

Budget: \$400,000 plus \$1,500,000 (est.) in project and variable acreage severance share funds from the forestry account of the Conservation Fund.

Objective: Provide interest-free loans to counties with lands enrolled under the County Forest Law.

Eligibility: Counties having lands enrolled under the County Forest Law.

Level of Assistance: Determined by the DNR, based on an application and approved county board resolution requesting the loan.

Priorities:

- ◆ Land acquisition within the county forest boundary for lands to be entered
- ◆ under the County Forest Law
- ◆ Forestry land management activities
- ◆ Forestry land information
- ◆ Forest capitol improvements

Eligible Types of Projects: Meritorious and economically productive forestry projects in county forests. No wildlife or recreation projects are eligible.

Applications: County board resolution and other application materials outlining the project.

History: The project loans were originally approved in 1978 although there was no funding in 1988 and 1990. The current system of a revolving loan fund was approved in 1992 and has been in existence ever since.

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Website: None at this time.

COUNTY FOREST VARIABLE ACREAGE AND PROJECT LOANS

Authorization:

Variable Acreage Loans: ss. 20.370(5)(bq)(bs) and 28.11(8)(b), Wis. Stats.

Project Loans: ss. 20.370(5)(bt)(bu) and 28.11(8)(b), Wis. Stats.

Budget:

Variable Acreage Loans: \$622,400 annually from the Forestry Account of the Conservation Fund.

Project Loans: \$400,000 annually from the forestry account of the Conservation Fund. In addition, an estimated \$1,500,000 in severance share repayments which may be available to be loaned.

Objective: Provide interest-free loans to counties for forestry operations on lands under the County Forest Law.

Eligibility: Counties having land enrolled under the County Forest Law.

Level of Assistance:

Variable Acreage Loans: Determined by the DNR after December 31 each year based on dollar amounts requested. A county may request up to \$.50/acre of eligible county forest lands. Requests in excess of available funds will be prorated.

Project Loans: Determined by the DNR after each of the first two application periods (August 15 and December 1). After December 2, first come, first served. Individual loans may not exceed 25% of available funds for any one year.

Priorities:

Variable Acreage Loans: County determines project priority.

Project Loans:

1ST Preference: Land acquisition

2nd Preference: Land management activities

3rd Preference: Land information activities

4th Preference: Capital purchases and improvements

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Eligible Types of Projects:

Variable Acreage Loans: Forestry projects on land enrolled under the County Forest Law.

Project Loans: Economically productive forest operations consistent with the Comprehensive Land Management Plan. Projects may not be used for recreational facilities or fish/wildlife projects.

Applications:

Variable Acreage Loans: Requests must be submitted to the DNR via county board resolution by December 31 of each year.

Project Loans: Request deadlines are August 15 and December 1 of each year. December 2 and later, requests are reviewed on a first-come, first-served basis.

Date of Payments:

Variable Acreage Loans: Payments made on or before March 31 of each year.

Project Loans: Payment made upon project completion, unless an advance payment has been requested. A 75% advance payment is available with mutual agreement of the applicant and the DNR.

History:

Variable Acreage Loans: These loans have been available since 1980 for use in acquiring, developing, preserving or maintaining county forest lands. Annually, \$600,000 - \$620,000 is distributed. Loans are repaid through a 20% severance tax on forest products harvested off of County Forest lands.

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Comment [TJD3]: If this bill became law, we need to refer to the Act number (1993 Wis. Act ??).

Website: None at this time.

COUNTY SNOWMOBILE ENFORCEMENT PATROLS

Authorization: ss. 350.12(4)(a)(4) and 20.370(4)(ft), Wis. Stats.; s. NR 50.12, Wis. Admin. Code

Budget: Grants are prorated if requests exceed funding available.

2001-2002 Fiscal Year = \$400,000

2002-2003 Fiscal Year = \$400,000

2003-2004 Fiscal Year = \$400,000

Objective: To encourage county snowmobile patrols to function as a law enforcement unit for the enforcement ch. 350, Wis. Stats.

Eligibility: Counties.

Level of Assistance: Counties may receive up to 100% of their net costs for the enforcement of ch. 350, Wis. Stats. If county claims exceed available funds, the DNR shall prorate the payments.

Priorities: Patrols must function as a county sheriff's law enforcement unit.

Eligible Types of Projects: **Salaries** of officers engaged in the enforcement of ch. 350, Wis. Stats., at a rate not more than the regular straight-time rate. Fringe benefits cannot exceed 29% of the gross salary. Travel, materials, and supplies are reimbursable. Depreciation is calculated at a rate of 20% annually on all equipment (snowmobiles) valued at over \$1,000.

Applications: A county must file a *Notice of Intent to Patrol* form with the DNR on or before June 1 of each year. Claim forms shall be filed with the DNR on or before June 1st. Forms and information are available from the Bureau of Law Enforcement.

History: Approximately 44 counties annually participate in the snowmobile enforcement patrol each year.

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DAM MAINTENANCE, REPAIR MODIFICATION, ABANDONMENT, AND REMOVAL GRANT

Authorization: ss. 31.19(5) and 31.385, Wis. Stats.; ch. NR 335, Wis. Admin. Code

Budget: 2001-2002 Fiscal Year = \$ 0
2001-2003 Fiscal Year = \$ 0

Objective: Provide municipalities and public inland lake districts with financial assistance for dam maintenance, repair, modification, abandonment, and removal.

Eligibility: Counties, cities, villages, towns, and public inland lake protection districts.

Level of Assistance: 50% matching grants for eligible project costs; limit: \$200,000 per project.

Priorities: Funding priority is determined by the dam's size, hazard rating, downstream zoning, repair costs, and the municipality's financial need.

Eligible Types of Projects: Dam repair, reconstruction, modification or abandonment, and removal.

Applications: Available upon request. Submittal deadline: April 1 of each year.

History: In 1989 the state legislature authorized the use of state bonding money to fund grants for municipally owned dams. This funding has been increased periodically by the legislature; however, there has been no increase in funding for the past three biennia and all funds are currently committed to projects. In 1990, the DNR requested and filled two project positions. The persons in those positions revised ch. NR 335, Wis. Admin. Code, to become the Dam Maintenance, Repair, Modification, Abandonment, and Removal Aid Program.

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DRY CLEANING ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSE FUND (DERF)

Authorization: s. 292.65, Wis. Stats.; ch. NR 169, Wis. Admin. Code

Budget: Approximately \$1 million annually. Exact amount each year varies, depending on the spending authority granted by the Legislature.

Objective: Reimbursing the costs associated with the investigation and cleanup of contamination caused, by the discharges of dry cleaning products from a dry cleaning facility.

Eligibility: Owners, operators, parent & subsidiary corporations and their agents of a dry-cleaning facility (as defined under s. 292.65(1)(h) or (j), Wis. Stats.)

Level of Assistance: The applicant is reimbursed 100% of the eligible expenses after the variable deductible is withheld, to a maximum reimbursement of \$500,000 per site. (See s. 292.65(8)(e), Wis. Stats., for details.)

Priorities: The highest priority is for threats to municipal wells, other water sources, and urgent spill projects. The DNR project manager will assign a risk evaluation to each project based on the amount of material spilled and the level of threat to others and to the environment.

Eligible Types of Projects: Only site investigation and remediation of site-specific dry cleaning product releases are eligible for reimbursement.

Applications: Available on the DNR web page (see below) are all the application materials needed, along with details on all of the above. Applications for reimbursing site investigation costs may be submitted when the site investigation report is submitted to and approved by the department. All applications must be submitted within 120 days of completing the response activity.

History: This is a self-insurance program that is funded by a self imposed 1.8 % fee on dry cleaning sold at all licensed dry cleaners. The statute was first put in place on October 14, 1997. The program has continued to grow and change since the beginning when the code first took effect on February 1, 2000. Now DERF has over 130 sites around Wisconsin.

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FEDERAL AID IN SPORT FISH RESTORATION ACT

Authorization: 16 U.S.C. 777-777k, 64 Stat. 430 (also known as Federal Aid in Sport Fish Restoration Act)

Budget: Varies depending upon excise tax collection by US Treasury.

Objective: Sport fish restoration and boating access.

Eligibility: Department of Natural Resources; contracts and use agreements may be negotiated with counties, villages, and towns for use of this funding to facilitate the construction of boat landings and fishing piers.

Level of Assistance: 75% cost-share

Priorities: Fisheries-related projects identified in the DNR's work planning process as biennially reviewed and ranked by DNR staff.

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Eligible Types of Projects: Public access development--boat landings; fishing piers.

Applications: Information provided by DNR Regional Fisheries Management Supervisors or appropriate regional Community Services Specialists.

History: Annual expenditures in excess of \$500,000 for developing boat access and piers. Remainder spent on land acquisition, habitat restoration, aquatic education, and other DNR management projects.

Contact: Appropriate DNR regional Community Service Specialist; see pages 95-98.

Website: <http://www.dnr.state.wi.us/org/caer/cfa/Grants/sportfish.html>

FOREST FIRE PROTECTION (FFP) GRANT PROGRAM

Authorization: ss. 26.145(1), (2), and (3), Wis. Stats.; ch. NR 47, subchapters I and VIII, Wis. Admin. Code

Budget:

State appropriation (Annual/SEG)	\$448,000
Federal State Fire Assistance appropriation (Title 2)	\$200,576*
Federal Volunteer Fire Assistance appropriation (Title 4)	\$126,424*
Total annual allotment for FFP Program	\$775,000

**federal amount varies year to year*

Objective: To expand the use of local fire departments to augment and strengthen the DNR's overall initial attack fire suppression capabilities on forest fires by providing forest fire protection grants to municipal fire departments and other fire suppression organizations.

Eligibility: Cities, villages, towns, counties, tribal governments, and fire suppression organizations that enter into a written agreement with the DNR in which the municipality or fire suppression organization agrees to assist the DNR in suppression of forest fires at the Department's request.

Level of Assistance: 50% matching grants for eligible project costs; limit of \$10,000 to individual fire departments; limit of \$25,000 to county fire suppression organizations.

Priorities: Personal protective equipment; forest fire training; forest fire prevention; forest fire suppression equipment and dry hydrants; communication equipment; mapping; vehicles.

Eligible Types of Project: Personal protective equipment; forest fire training; forest fire prevention; forest fire suppression tools, equipment, supplies and materials, and dry hydrants; communication equipment; mapping, rural numbering systems, and direction/location devices such as global position systems; vehicles (limited to individual fire department applicants; all-terrain vehicles are ineligible).

Applications: Mailed in late April each year to all known WI fire suppression organizations having a written fire suppression agreement with the DNR; also available upon request and on the DNR's website. Submittal deadline: July 1 of each year.

History: This grant program was created in 1997 to provide grant funds to encourage and support local volunteer fire organizations that assist the DNR in initial attack of forest fires.

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FOREST STEWARDSHIP GRANT PROGRAM

Authorization: 16 U.S.C. §2103c *et. seq.* (also known as Public Law 101-624, Title XII); ch. NR 47, Wis. Admin. Code

Budget: Changes each year, but approximately \$100,000

Objective: To encourage the long-term stewardship of non-industrial private forest lands by assisting owners of such lands to more actively manage their forest and related resources using existing state, federal, and private sector resource management expertise and assistance programs.

Eligibility: Eligible applicants are groups, organizations, and various government agencies interested in promoting the stewardship management of private non-industrial forestlands.

Level of Assistance: Grants are 50% of the actual eligible costs. Requests are limited to \$15,000 of FSP funds per proposal.

Priorities: Projects that are directed toward one or more areas of emphasis, determined each year by the Forest Stewardship Committee.

Eligible Types of Projects: Landowner workshops, management plan writing, field days, training sessions, direct landowner assistance, and research.

Applications: Applications are available in February and due in March each year.

History: Over \$1.5 million in grant funds have been provided for projects since 1991.

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FORESTRY AIDS TO COUNTIES

Authorization: s. 23.09(18), Wis. Stats.

Budget: (from the Forestry Account of the Conservation Fund)
2001-2002 Fiscal Year = \$1,250,000
2002-2003 Fiscal Year = \$1,250,000

Objective: Provide payments to counties having more than 40,000 acres enrolled under the Forest Crop and Managed Forest Laws.

Eligibility: Counties having over 40,000 acres of enrolled under the Forest Crop and Managed Forest Law.

Level of Assistance: Apportioned to each county on the basis of their share of the eligible acreage.

Priorities: None

Eligible Types of Projects: Not allocated by project. County is eligible if it has 40,000 or more acres of MFL and FCL.

Applications: No application necessary. Eligibility and level of assistance are calculated by DNR's Forest Tax Section.

History: Established in 1989.

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Website: None at this time.

GYPSY MOTH SUPPRESSION PROGRAM

Authorization: ss. 26.30(2) and (5), 28.01, and 28.07, Wis. Stats.; s. NR 47.9, Wis. Admin. Code

Budget: Dependent on funding from U.S. Forest Service

Objective: At the request of landowners, these grants are provided to reduce outbreaks of non-native gypsy moth species populations below the level at which they can cause heavy defoliation. The suppression program consists of an aerial insecticide treatment program administered in partnership with the WI Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection and administration of federal cost-sharing for participants in the treatment program. Counties designate a local coordinator to administer requests for treatment from and for all residents of the county.

Eligibility: Eligible treatment blocks need to meet the following criteria:

- ◆ At least 25% of canopy covered by trees
- ◆ At least 50% of trees are preferred hosts (such as oak, aspen, white-barked birch, linden, crabapple)
- ◆ At least 20 acres in size
- ◆ At least 500 gypsy moth egg masses per acre on residential land and 1000 egg masses on rural land

Level of Assistance: Expenses directly relevant to the suppression program, aerial spray, and administrative costs, will be cost-shared at the following rates based on the amount of funding received from the US Forest Service:

- ◆ Privately owned lands under 500 acres per owner may be cost-shared up to 50%
- ◆ Privately owned lands of over 500 acres per owner may be cost-shared up to 33%
- ◆ Publicly owned lands may be cost shared up to 25%

Priorities: Suppress outbreaks of gypsy moth populations to protect the trees that landowners and communities value.

Eligible Types of Projects: Treatment blocks with gypsy moth outbreaks that meet the eligibility requirements receive aerial insecticide treatment.

Applications: Available from the contact or see web site.

History: The program started in 2001: two communities participated and 1500 acres were sprayed. This grant program has evolved into numerous counties participating and thousands of acres sprayed.

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LAKE MANAGEMENT PLANNING GRANTS

Authorization: s. 281.68, Wis. Stats., and ch. NR 190, Wis. Admin. Code

Budget: 2003-2004 Fiscal Year = \$625,000
2004-2005 Fiscal Year = \$625,000

Objective: To provide lake planning grants for projects to collect and analyze information needed to protect and restore lakes and their watersheds.

Eligibility:

- ◆ Counties, cities, towns, villages, tribes, qualified lake associations [as defined in s. 281.68(1)(b), Wis. Stats.];
- ◆ Public inland lake protection and rehabilitation districts, town sanitary districts, other local governmental units [as defined in s. 66.299 (1)(a), Wis. Stats.] that are established for the purpose of lake management;
- ◆ Qualified nonprofit conservation organizations [as defined in s. 23.0955 (1), Wis. Stats.].
- ◆ Qualified school districts [as defined in s. 281.68 (3m)(c), Wis. Stats.].

Level of Assistance: 75% of the cost of a lake planning project up to a maximum grant amount of \$3,000 per grant for small-scale projects and \$10,000 per grant for large-scale projects.

Priorities: Priorities are set on a statewide basis and consider the following factors:

Small-scale projects:

- ◆ The utility of the data and information that will be generated for assessing lake ecosystems.
- ◆ The degree to which the project will enhance knowledge and understanding of lake ecosystems.
- ◆ The degree to which the project will assist local decision-making and provide for the formation of goals or a strategy to protect a lake and lake ecosystems.
- ◆ The degree to which the project will likely result in significant improvement in the management of a lake and lake ecosystems.
- ◆ The degree of public access to the lake.
- ◆ Whether the project is a first-time small-scale application.

Large-scale projects

- ◆ The degree to which the project contributes toward a holistic set of alternatives to assist local decision-making or contributes to the formation of a strategy to enhance or maintain the quality of a lake ecosystem.
- ◆ The degree to which the planning project will enhance knowledge and understanding of a lake's fish, aquatic life and their habitats.

- ◆ The degree to which the planning project will enhance knowledge and understanding of a lake's watershed conditions that affect or have potential to affect a lake's ecosystem.
- ◆ The degree to which the proposed planning project enhances local understanding of the lake's water quality and factors which affect it, and the lake's potential uses.
- ◆ The degree to which the project will likely result in significant improvement in the management of a lake and lake ecosystems.
- ◆ The availability of public access to, and public use of the lake.
- ◆ The degree to which the proposed planning project complements other lake management efforts, is supported by other affected management units, and leverages other local community funds for the project.
- ◆ The importance to the state (as identified in its resource management plans) of the information obtained from a planning project.
- ◆ Whether the project is a first-time large-scale project for a lake.

Eligible Types of Projects:

Small-scale projects:

Lake trend monitoring, lake education, organization development, studies and assessments to implement or contribute to lake management goals for a lake.

Large-scale projects:

Data collection (physical, chemical, biological, sociological), water quality assessment, nonpoint source pollution evaluation, definition and mapping of lake watershed boundaries, mapping of existing and potential land conditions, activities and uses within the lake watersheds that may affect the water quality of a lake or its ecosystem and dissemination of information obtained during the project.

Applications: Available from the DNR regional Lake Coordinators and DNR regional Environmental Grants Specialists; see pages 92-93. Applications need to be received in DNR regional offices by February 1 and August 1 of each year.

History: Since the inception of the program, over \$8.1 million has been awarded for the lake management planning grants.

Contact: For questions about project eligibility, contact appropriate DNR regional Lake Coordinator; see pages 92-93. For eligible project costs, contact appropriate DNR regional Environmental Grants Specialist; see pages 95-98.

Website: <http://www.dnr.state.wi.us/org/caer/cfa/bureau/programs.html>
<http://www.dnr.state.wi.us/org/caer/cfa/Grants/index.html>

LAKE PROTECTION AND CLASSIFICATION GRANTS

Authorization: ss. 281.69 and 281.71, Wis. Stats.; ch. NR 191, Wis. Admin. Code

Budget: 2003-2004 Fiscal Year = \$2 million
2004-2005 Fiscal Year = \$2 million

Objective: To protect and improve the water quality of lakes and their ecosystems.

Eligibility:

- ◆ Counties, cities, towns, villages, tribes, qualified lake associations [as defined in s. 281.68(1)(b), Wis. Stats.];
- ◆ Public inland lake protection and rehabilitation districts, town sanitary districts, other local governmental units [as defined in s. 66.299(1)(a), Wis. Stats.] that are established for the purpose of lake management; and
- ◆ Qualified nonprofit conservation organizations [as defined in s. 23.0955(1), Wis. Stats.].

Level of Assistance: 75% of project costs up to a maximum grant amount of \$200,000, except for the development of local regulations or ordinances and lake classification projects which are eligible for a maximum grant amount of \$50,000.

Priorities: Priorities are set on a statewide basis (see s. NR 191.08, Wis. Admin. Code) and consider the following factors:

- ◆ The degree to which the project provides for the protection or improvement of water quality.
- ◆ The degree to which the project provides for protection or improvement of other aspects of the natural ecosystem such as fish, wildlife, or natural beauty.
- ◆ The availability of public access to, and public use of the lakes.
- ◆ The degree to which the proposed project complements other lake and watershed management efforts including local comprehensive plans developed pursuant to s. 66.1001, Wis. Stats.
- ◆ The level of support for the project from other affected management units.
- ◆ The likelihood of the project to successfully meet the stated project objectives.
- ◆ The degree of detail in the application and the time frame within which it will be implemented.
- ◆ Whether it is a first-time protection project for the lake or first-time classification project for the sponsor.

Eligible Types of Projects: Grants are available for the purchase of land or easements, restoration of wetlands and shoreline habitat, development of local regulations or ordinances to protect water quality, lake protection or lake restoration projects implementing department-approved recommendations in a plan, and lake classification projects. (Lake classification projects are available only to counties.)

Applications: From DNR regional Lake Coordinators or DNR regional Environmental Grants Specialists. Applications need to be received in the regional offices by May 1 of each year.

History: Since the inception of this program, over \$18.5 million have been awarded for lake protection grants.

Contacts: For questions about eligible projects, contact the appropriate DNR regional Lake Coordinator; see pages 92-93. For questions about eligible project costs, contact the appropriate DNR regional Environmental Grants Specialists; see pages 95-98.

Website: <http://www.dnr.state.wi.us/org/caer/cfa/bureau/programs.html>
 <http://www.dnr.state.wi.us/org/caer/cfa/Grants/index.html>

LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION FUND (LWCF)

Authorization: 16 U.S.C. 4601 - 4601-11, 78 Stat. 897 (also known as Public Law 88-578, approved September 3, 1964)

Budget: Dependent upon annual availability of federal funds. In 2004, the budget was \$1.67 million.

Objective: To encourage nationwide creation and interpretation of high quality, outdoor recreational opportunities. The program funds both state and local outdoor recreation projects.

Eligibility: Counties, cities, villages, towns, school districts, and Indian tribes with approved Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plans.

Level of Assistance: Up to 50% matching grants from the fund are available to state and local units of government.

Priorities: Acquisition of land where a scarcity of outdoor recreational land exists. Projects that provide access for the greatest number of potential users and provide the greatest opportunities for outdoor recreation.

Eligible Types of Projects: Acquisition of land for public outdoor recreational areas and preservation of water frontage and open space. Development of public outdoor park and recreational areas and their support facilities.

Applications: From DNR regional Community Service Specialist; see pages 95-98. Completed applications are due to the appropriate DNR regional office by May 1 of each year.

History: The program was established by Congress in 1964 to create parks and open spaces, protect wilderness, wetlands, and refuges, preserve wildlife habitat, and enhance recreational opportunities. From parks to playgrounds, wilderness to wetlands, bicycle paths to hiking trails, LWCF has helped communities nationwide acquire nearly seven million acres of parkland, water resources, and open space. LWCF has also underwritten the development of more than 37,000 state and local park and recreation projects nationwide, including approximately 1850 projects in Wisconsin.

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LAND RECYCLING LOAN PROGRAM

Authorization: ss. 281.59 and 281.60, Wis. Stats.

Budget: \$20 million set aside in 1998 from the WI Clean Water Fund Program

Objective: To remedy environmental contamination of sites or facilities at which environmental contamination has affected or threatened groundwater or surface water.

Eligibility: Political subdivision (city, village, town, or county), redevelopment authority, or housing authority.

Level of Assistance: Zero % loans for Phase 1 & 2 site assessments, site investigations, and remediation.

Priorities: The project must have the ability to reduce environmental pollution and threats to human health. For non-landfill projects, consideration is made for projects that will prevent the development of undeveloped land.

Eligible Types of Projects: Eligible applicants must own a site or facility that has impacted public or private water supply wells above maximum contaminant levels, contaminated groundwater above preventive action limits or enforcement standards of public health groundwater quality standards, and contaminated soil or sediment.

Applications: A political subdivision must send the DNR a *Notice of Intent to Apply for Financial Assistance* by December 31 of the year preceding its application. Funds are allocated based on a priority score. Projects are funded when DNR staff has approved a Remedial Actions Options Report and the remediation is ready to begin. The Department will publish two application deadlines dates each year.

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LOCAL WATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT PLANNING AIDS

Authorization: 33 U.S.C. §1384 (also known as s. 604(b), Federal Clean Water Act); s. 281.51, Wis. Stats.; ch. NR 121, Wis. Admin. Code.

	<u>State</u>	<u>Federal</u>
<u>Budget:</u> 2001-2002 Fiscal Year =	\$273,200	\$145,621
2002-2003 Fiscal Year =	\$269,200	\$145,621

Objective: To assist planning agencies with the development and implementation of area-wide water quality management plans.

Eligibility: Local, county, or regional planning agencies, and commissions with water quality management planning responsibilities.

Level of Assistance: Eligible cost of water quality planning may be funded at 100%.

Priorities: The DNR, in cooperation with regional planning agencies, sets priorities to assist with area-wide water quality management planning.

Eligible Types of Projects: Local and regional water resource management and watershed planning activities, sewer service area plans and amendments, regional wastewater facility planning initiatives, and identification and protection of water quality sensitive areas known as environmental corridors.

Applications: The DNR negotiates annual contracts with planning agencies and commissions. Project proposal may be submitted through regional DNR watershed management planning staff on a continuous basis. Proposals must be received by November 30 to be considered for funding in the next calendar year.

History: The local water quality management planning became an aids program in 1979.

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MUNICIPAL FLOOD CONTROL GRANT PROGRAM

Authorization: s. 281.665, Wis. Stats., and ch. NR 199, Wis. Admin. Code

Budget: In 2005-2007 fiscal year:

\$2,350,000 for Acquisition & Development grants

\$1,399,000 for Local Assistance Grant (administrative support)

Objective: Help local governments minimize flooding and flood-related damages by:

- Acquiring property & removing buildings in the flood-way and floodplain for open-space floodwater flowage to the water body.
- Acquiring vacant land and flowage easements in the flood-way or floodplain for open-space floodwater flowage to the water body.
- Flood-proofing and flood elevation of structures in the 100 year floodplain (public & private).
- Creating open-space flood storage areas by constructing flood control detention structures.
- Restoring the flood-carrying capacity and natural and beneficial functions of watercourses.

Eligibility: Cities, villages, towns, and metropolitan sewerage districts

Level of Assistance: 70% of total eligible costs as indicated within the grant agreement.

Maximum allowed per applicant: \$800,000 maximum per one city, town, village, or metropolitan sewerage district.

Priorities: Projects are ranked 1 (high) through 9 (low) based on the following criteria:

1. Acquisition and removal of structures, which due to zoning restrictions can not be rebuilt or repaired.
2. Acquisition and removal of structures in the 100-year floodplain.
3. Acquisition and removal of repetitive-loss or substantially damaged structures.
4. Acquisition and removal of other flood-damaged structures.
5. Floodproofing and elevation of structures.
6. Riparian restoration projects including removal of dams and other artificial obstructions, restoration of fish and native plant habitat, and erosion control and streambank restoration projects.
7. Acquisition of vacant land or perpetual conservation or flowage easements to provide additional flood storage or to facilitate natural or more efficient flood flows.
8. Construction of structures for the collection, detention, retention, storage, and transmission of stormwater and groundwater for flood control and riparian restoration projects.
9. Preparation of flood insurance studies and other flood mapping projects.

Eligible Types of Projects: See priorities above.

Applications: The third round of applications were distributed to eligible applicants on November 15, 2004. Deadline to return completed applications is April 15, 2005. Successful applicants will be notified in December 2005 for the grant period of January 1, 2006 – December 31, 2007.

History: The first round of “grant awards” were issued in April 2002 to 16 selected property acquisition & building removal projects. The second round of “grant awards” were issued January 1, 2004 to:

- 2 flood-proofing & elevation of structures in the 100 year floodplain projects
- 3 vacant land acquisitions with construction of flood control detention structures
- 1 flood control detention structure on city pre-owned land
- 1 property acquisition with removal of building.

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MUNICIPAL WATER SAFETY PATROLS STATE ASSISTANCE

Authorization: s. 30.79, Wis. Stats; s. NR 50.13, Wis. Admin. Code

Budget: Grants are prorated if requests exceed available funding.
2001-02 Fiscal Year = \$1,400,000
2002-03 Fiscal Year = \$1,400,000

Objective: To provide professional and uniform enforcement of boating laws by municipalities. State aid offsets the operational costs of local Boating Law Enforcement programs.

Eligibility: Municipalities, inland lake protection and rehabilitation districts, and lake sanitary districts.

Level of Assistance: Up to 75% of the net cost for enforcement of ss.30.50 through 30.80, Wis. Stats., and local regulation adopted under s. 30.77, Wis. Stats.

Priorities: Provide active and productive enforcement of the boating laws; conduct boating education programs; provide search and rescue for live persons.

Eligible Types of Projects: Reimbursement for salaries, supplies, and equipment. Capital items valued at more than \$1,000 will be reimbursed at the rate of 20% per year over 5 years.

Applications: *An Intent to Patrol* form must be filed with the DNR prior to March 1 of each year. Grantees must maintain daily and monthly records and submit an annual claim to the DNR before January 31 for expenses incurred in the previous calendar year [pursuant to s. NR 50.13, Wis. Admin. Code].

History: Since its inception in 1972, this program has provided over \$15.2 million for local boating enforcement. An average of 113 municipalities apply each year.

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Appropriate DNR Recreational Safety Warden; see page 94.

Website: <http://dnr.wi.gov/org/caer/cfa/Grants/safetypatrols.html>

PL-566 DAM REHABILITATION GRANTS

Authorization: s. 31.387, Wis. Stats.

Budget: 2001-2002 Fiscal Year = \$0
2002-2003 Fiscal Year = \$500,000
2003-2004 Fiscal Year = \$0
2004-2005 Fiscal Year = \$0

Objective: To assist counties with the cost of rehabilitating dams originally constructed with financial assistance provided through the federal Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention Act of 1953 (Public Law 83-566).

Eligibility: Counties.

Level of Assistance: Up to 50% of the county's portion of eligible PL-566 dam rehabilitation costs (roughly 17.5% of total project costs).

Priorities: Those PL-566 dams identified by the Wisconsin State Office of the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) for which planning, interagency review, and design stages have been completed and for which the sponsor has provided proof of resources to fund their portion of the project.

Eligible Types of Projects: Eligible PL-566 dam rehabilitation projects

Applications: There is no application process. Counties who qualify for dam rehabilitation funds from the Wisconsin USDA NRCS automatically qualify to receive DNR grants, until state funds are exhausted. Grant funds provided by the 2001 Legislature were allocated in their entirety before June 30, 2003. No additional funds have been provided.

History: This grant was offered for the first time in calendar year 2002.

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Website: None at this time.

PRIORITY WATERSHED AND PRIORITY LAKE GRANT PROGRAM

Authorization: s. 281.65, Wis. Stats., and ch. NR 120, Wis. Admin. Code

Budget: 2005-2007 Fiscal Year = \$ 6,000,000 new biennium bond revenue
(non-bondable cropping practices paid from GPR and federal funding)

Objective: To prevent or eliminate nonpoint sources of water pollution in designated priority watershed projects in Wisconsin.

Eligibility: Priority watersheds as determined by the Department.

Level of Assistance: Cost-sharing of between 70% - 100% for about 107 installed best management practices on land surrounding rivers, streams, lakes, etc., within designated priority watershed projects.

Priorities: Priority watershed projects designated by the DNR.

Eligible Types of Projects: (not all-inclusive)

Cropping practices (nutrient management, pesticide management, grazing rotation, and crop protection, etc.); field diversions, terraces, grassed waterways; stream and shoreline protection (crossing, fencing, shoreline buffers, shaping & seeding, etc.); barnyard runoff management, manure storage facilities, etc.; wetland restoration, agricultural sediment basin, lake sediment treatment.

Applications: Started in 1978' currently closed to new application. The last watershed projects designated in 1995; last projects will end in 2009.

History: The program is a joint effort of the DNR, Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP), the University of Wisconsin Extension (UWEX), counties (usually through their Land Conservation Departments), municipalities, and lake districts with assistance from a variety of federal, state, and local agencies. The Wisconsin Land and Water Conservation Board designates priority watershed and lake projects, approves implementation plans, recommends funding levels and priorities, and recommends changes to the governor and DNR that will improve program effectiveness.

How Priority Watershed Projects Were Selected in the Past

Projects were selected from watersheds ranked in water quality management (basin) plans. To assist the targeting and selection of new priority watershed or lake projects, and to meet federal and state requirements for ranking priority waters, Wisconsin developed and incorporated watershed ranking criteria into the water quality management plans written for each of the state's river basins. The system ranks streams, lakes, and

groundwater separately, by watershed, in categories of high, medium, or low priority based on factors including:

1. Potential to respond positively and/or be protected by nonpoint source controls,
2. Presence of a unique environment for endangered or threatened species,
3. Water quality and habitat degradation impacts on fish populations and diversity
4. A variety of water chemistry criteria,
5. The macroinvertebrate biotic index rating,
6. Presence of negative changes in the stream morphology and vegetation,
7. Classification as a threatened stream,
8. Classification as an outstanding or exceptional resource water,
9. Sensitivity of a lake to phosphorus loading,
10. Classification of a lake as a high resource or high recreation use lake, and
11. Susceptibility of groundwater to contamination based on depth to bedrock, bedrock type, depth to water table, soil characteristics, and surface deposits.

The ranking system used numeric criteria for streams and lakes with the highest number representing the highest priority watershed. Watersheds were eligible for consideration if they rank high for streams, lakes, and/or groundwater.

Potential local sponsors were notified of watershed project eligibility and, if interested, they submitted an application to the DNR. Projects were then further reviewed and ranked by regional advisory committees and other state agencies prior to being recommended to the Land and Water Conservation Board for placement on the board's five year planning schedule.

The Planning Stage and Beyond

Once projects received formal designation by the Land and Water Conservation Board, funding was provided to support local staff and the establishment of local project teams. The priority watershed planning process, which on average takes two years, includes extensive land use inventories and detailed water resources appraisals. The appraisal information provides guidance on establishment of the water resources objectives and the pollutant load reductions needed to meet various water resource objectives. The land inventory results were used to identify major pollutant sources and the management practices that can be used to obtain needed pollutant reductions. Finally critical site criteria and cost-share eligibility criteria were established to complete the implementation plan.

Prior to the project being implemented, watershed plans were formally approved by both the County Board(s) for the counties in which they are located and by the Land and Water Conservation Board. The implementation of watershed plans was then carried out at the local level, in large part, through staff supported by grants from the DNR. Implementation of priority watershed plans generally occurs over a 10 to 12 year period. The Department provides cost sharing for up to seventy percent of the installation costs

of the practices. Best management practices must conform with watershed plans and be maintained for at least ten years after the practices are installed.

While the vast majority of practices installed within a watershed are done so on a voluntary basis, state statute requires that all projects identify as critical those sites which are significant sources of pollution upon which best management practices must be implemented in order to obtain a reasonable likelihood that the water quality objectives established in the plan can be achieved. During implementation, local project managers work closely with landowners that have sites which meet the critical site criteria in the watershed plan to obtain pollutant loading reductions. For those cases where progress is not being made, enforcement actions are then begun.

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RECREATIONAL BOATING FACILITIES

Authorization: s. 30.92, Wis. Stats.

Budget: 2003-2004 Fiscal Year = \$4,457,000
2004-2005 Fiscal Year = \$4,457,000

Objective: Provide funds to local units of government and qualified lake associations for the construction of capital improvements to provide safe recreational boating facilities. Program also provides financial assistance for: feasibility studies related to the development of safe recreational boating facilities, purchase of aquatic weed harvesting equipment, purchase of navigation aids, dredging of channels of waterways, and chemical treatment of Eurasian water milfoil.

Eligibility: Counties, cities, villages, towns, sanitary districts, public inland lake protection and rehabilitation districts, and qualified lake associations.

Level of Assistance: Cost sharing of up to 50% is provided for feasibility studies, construction costs, and certain types of acquisition costs. An additional 10% may be available if a municipality conducts a boating safety enforcement and education program approved by the DNR. Projects of statewide or regional significance may be eligible for an additional 30% cost-sharing assistance.

Priorities: The following factors are considered in establishing priorities for projects: distance of proposed project from other recreational boating facilities, demand for safe boating facilities, existing facilities, projects underway, commitment of funds, and location of proposed project within the regional identified in s. 25.29(7), Wis. Stats. A five-member Waterways Commission, appointed by the Governor, reviews projects and recommends projects for funding.

Eligible Types of Projects:

- ◆ Facilities (such as ramps and service docks) required to gain access to the water.
- ◆ Structures (such as bulkheads and breakwaters) necessary to provide safe water conditions for boaters.
- ◆ Activities (such as dredging) to provide safe water depths for recreational boating. Dredging is an eligible project only when it is associated with project development at the project site. Maintenance dredging is not eligible.
- ◆ Support facilities limited to parking lots, sanitary facilities, and security lighting.
- ◆ Acquisition of equipment to cut and remove aquatic plants (inland waters).
- ◆ Dredging of channels in waterways for recreational boating purposes not more than once in 10 years (inland waters).
- ◆ Acquisition of aids to navigation and regulatory markers.
- ◆ Chemical treatment of Eurasian watermilfoil (limit of \$75,000 year for this activity)

Applications: Application forms for recreational boating facilities are available through the regional offices.

History: Since its reauthorization in 1985, the recreational boating facilities program has provided over \$22 million to inland and Great Lakes sponsors for the construction or feasibility analysis of accesses or harbors of refuge.

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Appropriate DNR regional Community Service Specialist; see pages 95-98.

Website: None at this time.

RECYCLING EFFICIENCY INCENTIVES GRANTS

Authorization: s. 287.235, Wis. Stats.

Budget: 2004 Calendar Year = \$1.9 million
2005 Calendar Year = \$1.9 million

Objective: To provide financial assistance to responsible units that have demonstrated recycling program efficiency.

Eligibility: All Responsible Units -- municipalities (cities, towns, and villages), special purpose recycling districts, and counties designated by a municipality to operate a recycling program within a municipality -- with an “effective” recycling programs (as defined in s. NR 544.04, Wis. Admin. Code).

Level of Assistance: All eligible Responsible Units will receive a per capita portion of available funds not to exceed the difference between their net eligible recycling costs from 2 years earlier and the amount of their *Grants to Responsible Units* also provided 2 years earlier.

Priorities: For 2005 grant funding – Responsible Units that apply and have accomplished any of the following efficiency measures between October 31, 2003 and October 30, 2004:

- ◆ Consolidation of at least two responsible units into a single responsible unit;
- ◆ Cooperation between at least two responsible units for direct recycling services.
- ◆ Cooperation between at least two responsible units for private vendor recycling services.

For calendar year 2006 grant and beyond – Responsible Units that apply and have undertaken any of the efficiency measures above at least 6 months before the grant application deadline.

Eligible Types of Projects: Eligible costs may include all of the following:

- ◆ The costs of planning, including consultant fees.
- ◆ Construction costs, including capitalized interest, professional services of an attorney and engineering services for design, construction, and construction inspection.
- ◆ Training, salaries, and fringe benefit costs of personnel.
- ◆ The purchase of necessary supplies.

- ◆ Capital purchases for all of the following:
 1. Equipment costing \$1,000 or more and with an expected life of 3 or more years funded on an amortized basis.
 2. Land, including site acquisition at fair market value and site preparation costs.
- ◆ The allocable cost of using equipment not purchased with grant monies, as provided under s. NR 542.10 (1) (b) 3, Wis. Admin. Code.
- ◆ Costs of collecting recyclables, marketing and transporting recyclables to market.
- ◆ Costs of public education and enforcement.
- ◆ Written contracts entered into by responsible units to obtain services necessary for an effective recycling program.
- ◆ Any of the following costs of a solid waste facility designed to recover recyclables from post-consumer waste:
 1. All costs that can be directly attributed to the recycling component.
 2. The proportionate share of the remaining costs as calculated as a proportion of recovered recyclables to total waste, by weight.
- ◆ Costs of documenting how solid waste that is generated in the grant applicant's region and is not separated or recovered for recycling will be managed, as required by s. 287.11 (2) (ew), Wis. Stats.

Applications: Applications for calendar year 2005 grants were available from the DNR by July 2004; postmark deadline = Oct. 30, 2004. Applications for all subsequent calendar years must be postmarked no later than October 30th of the year before the year for which grants are being requested.

History: The grant was provided for the first time in calendar year 2003 and the DNR issued 111 grants.

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RECYCLING GRANTS TO RESPONSIBLE UNITS

Authorization: s. 287.23, Wis. Stats., and ch. NR 542, Wis. Admin. Code

Budget: 2004 Calendar Year = \$24.5 Million
2005 Calendar Year = \$24.5 Million

Objective: To provide financial assistance to local units of government to operate effective recycling programs.

Eligibility: “Responsible units” are eligible. In general, a responsible unit is the local unit of government responsible for implementing its recycling program. Each municipality (city, town, or village) is a responsible unit unless that municipality becomes a part of a county responsible unit or transfers responsible unit status to another unit of government or solid waste management system by contract (under s. 66.30, Wis. Stats.). Only those responsible units that have an effective recycling program approved by the DNR may receive this grant.

Level of Assistance: The statutory grant calculation formula is based on the prorated amount the grantee was awarded or would have been awarded in 1999. Each grantee will receive the same percentage of the current appropriation (\$24.5 million in 2004 and 2005) as was received in 1999 grants (base = \$24 million), but not more than their projected net eligible costs for the current year.

Priorities: This is not a competitive grant program. All requests from responsible units are equally considered and funded based on the formulas and pro-rations mentioned under “Level of Assistance”.

Eligible Types of Projects: The recycling program costs of a responsible unit with an effective recycling program, minus the revenues derived from the sale of recovered materials, that are reasonable and necessary for planning or operating a recycling program are eligible for grant assistance.

Applications: Applications must be submitted by October 1 in the year preceding the year for which assistance is sought. Application forms available from the DNR must be used.

History: More than \$330 million have been distributed to responsible units since the inception of the program in 1990.

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RIVER PROTECTION GRANTS

Authorization: ss. 281.70 and 281.71, Wis. Stats.; ch. NR 195, Wis. Admin. Code

Budget: 2003-2004 Fiscal Year = \$292,400
2004-2005 Fiscal Year = \$292,400

Objective: To protect and restore rivers and their ecosystems.

Eligibility: Counties, cities, towns, villages, Indian tribes, other local governmental units [as defined in s. 66.299(1)(a), Wis. Stats.], qualified river management organizations [as defined in s. NR 195.02 (2), Wis. Admin. Code], and qualified nonprofit conservation organizations [as defined in s. 23.0995(1), Wis. Stats].

Level of Assistance: Reimbursement of 75% of project costs up to a maximum grant amount of \$10,000 for planning projects and \$50,000 for management projects.

Priorities: Priorities are set on a statewide basis (see s. NR 195.09, Wis. Admin. Code), and consider the following factors:

Planning Projects:

- ◆ The degree to which the project assists creation or enhancement of a local river management organization and can demonstrate how the use of the funds will build the capacity of the organization to protect and restore the river and its ecosystem
- ◆ The degree to which the project assists local decision making or formation of a strategy to protect the quality of a river's ecosystem
- ◆ The degree to which the project will enhance knowledge and understanding of a river's ecosystem
- ◆ The degree to which the project is supported in a federal, state or local resource plan and makes efficient use of all other available funding sources
- ◆ The degree of public support for the project whether it is a first-time project

Management Projects:

- ◆ The degree to which the project will protect critical riverine ecosystems
- ◆ The degree to which the project will restore the quality of a river ecosystem or aids in the linkage or concentration of critical habitat
- ◆ The degree to which the proposed activities have a good likelihood of successfully meeting the project objectives and where the sources or causative factors of the problems to be remediated have been or very likely will be controlled prior to management activities
- ◆ The degree to which the project is supported in a federal, state, or local resource plan and makes efficient use of all other available funding sources
- ◆ The degree of public support for the project
- ◆ Whether it is a first time project

Eligible Types of Projects:**Planning Projects:**

Organizational development, education, data collection, water quality assessment, pollution control evaluation, description and mapping of existing and potential land and water resource conditions, activities and uses within a riverine ecosystem that may affect its quality, and dissemination of information obtained during the project.

Management Projects:

Purchase of land or conservation easements, development of local regulations or ordinances that will protect or improve water quality, installation of practices to control nonpoint source pollution, restoration including instream or shoreland habitat and protection, and restoration projects identified in a department approved plan.

Applications: Application information is available from DNR regional Environmental Grants Specialists or DNR regional River Coordinators. Applications must be received in the DNR regional offices by May 1 of each year.

History: Since the program began in 2000, more than \$1.4 million has been provided for river protection grants.

Contact: For questions about eligible projects, contact the appropriate DNR regional River Coordinator; see pages 99-100. For questions about eligible costs, contact the appropriate DNR regional Environmental Grants Specialist; see pages 95-98.

Website: <http://www.dnr.state.wi.us/org/caer/cfa/bureau/programs.html>
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SAFE DRINKING WATER LOAN PROGRAM

Authorization: ss. 281.59 and 281.61, Wis. Stats.

Budget: Approximately \$15 million annually available for loans.

Objective: To protect public health and to assist public water systems with financing the costs of infrastructure needed to achieve and maintain compliance with the requirements of the Safe Drinking Water Act.

Eligibility: Any city, village, town, county, town sanitary district, public inland lake protection & rehabilitation district, or municipal water district.

Level of Assistance: Low interest rate loans. Additional assistance to applicants with low income and a population less than 10,000.

Priorities: Projects that protect human health, ensure compliance with the Safe Drinking Water Act, and are for applicants with greater financial need.

Eligible Types of Projects: Construction or modification of public water systems needed to maintain compliance with or further the public health protection goals of the Safe Drinking Water Act.

Applications: A *Notice of Intent to Apply* and *Priority Evaluation and Ranking Form* must be submitted by December 31 of the year prior to the year in which the application will be submitted. The application deadline is April 30, and all eligible applicants will be placed on the funding list and ranked by priority. To receive funding, an applicant must be in the fundable range of the funding list.

History: Since the first loan in December 1998, the program has loaned approximately \$145 million for 50 projects.

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SMALL AND ABANDONED DAM REMOVAL GRANT PROGRAM

Authorization: ss. 31.385(2)(ag) and (ar), Wis. Stats.; ch. NR 336, Wis. Adm. Code

Budget: 2001-2002 Fiscal Year = \$ 0
2001-2003 Fiscal Year = \$ 0

NOTE: The Legislature has authorized the DNR to use unspent funds from the Dam Maintenance, Repair, Modification, and Removal Grant program for this program. Approximately \$200,000 is available as of November 1, 2003.

Objective: Provide entities or individuals with financial assistance for the removal of small or abandoned dams.

Eligibility: Counties, cities, villages, towns, and public inland lake protection and rehabilitation districts, and private dam owners.

Level of Assistance: 50% matching grants; limit: \$50,000 per project.

Priorities: Funding priority is determined by the date the application is received provided that the application is complete and meets basic eligibility criteria.

Eligible Types of Projects: Small dams are those with a hydraulic height of less than 15 feet and an impoundment of 100 surface acres or less at normal pool. Abandoned dams are those declared abandoned using the process under s. 30121(4), Stats.

Applications: Available upon request after November 1, 2003. Even after all available funding is exhausted, DNR will hold eligible applications in a queue for funding should additional funds become available.

History: 1997 Wisconsin Act 27 added provisions to s. 31.385, Wis. Stats., that earmarked a small portion of the dam maintenance, repair, modification, abandonment and removal funds to be used specifically for the removal of small and abandoned dams. There has been no additional funding provided since the original legislation.

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SNOWMOBILE TRAIL AIDS

Authorization: s. 23.09(26) and ch. 350, Wis. Stats.

Budget: 2003-2004 Fiscal Year = \$7,280,600
2004-2005 Fiscal Year = \$7,743,400

Objective: Provide a statewide system of well-signed and well-groomed snowmobile trails for public use and enjoyment.

Eligibility: Counties.

Level of Assistance:

- ◆ 100% of approved maintenance costs up to \$250 per mile.
- ◆ 100% of development costs up to \$500 per mile.
- ◆ 100% of major bridge rehabilitation costs.
- ◆ 100% of trail rehabilitation costs.

Priorities: Maintain trail systems that provide passage through a county and connections with adjacent counties.

Eligible Types of Projects: Maintenance of trails, which includes signing, brushing and grooming of snowmobile trails, purchase of liability insurance, and acquisition of short-term easements; development of trails, which may include general trail construction, bridges, gates and signs; major rehabilitation of existing snowmobile bridges; rehabilitation of existing trail segments.

Applications: Applications are available at DNR regional offices and are due April 15 of each year.

History: Since its beginning in the early 1970s, the snowmobile program has provided over \$80 million in grant assistance for the development and maintenance of public snowmobile trails.

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Website: www.dnr.state.wi.us/org/caer/cfa/LR/snowmobile/snow.html

SPEARFISHING LAW ENFORCEMENT ASSISTANCE

Authorization: s. 29.947, Wis. Stats.

Budget: 2001-02 Fiscal Year - \$ 0
2002-03 Fiscal Year - \$ 0

Objective: To reimburse county and municipal law enforcement agencies for law enforcement services provided during the Chippewa spearfishing season.

Eligibility: Counties, cities, villages and towns.

Level of Assistance: 100% of the actual costs that are directly attributable to providing additional law enforcement services during spearfishing seasons.

Priorities: If the total amount of reimbursable costs exceed the amount the Legislature provided for payment, the Department will prorate payment.

Eligible Types of Projects: Salaries, supplies and support services directly attributable to providing additional law enforcement services during spearfishing season.

Applications: Available from DNR Bureau of Law Enforcement. Applications for costs of spearfishing seasons must be submitted by July 1 of the calendar year in which the additional law enforcement services are provided.

History: Since its inception, the Legislature has appropriated and the municipalities have been reimbursed in full. The last reimbursement to municipalities was made in 1995 and totaled \$2,528.

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STEWARDSHIP GRANT PROGRAMS

for Friends Groups and Nonprofit Conservation Organizations to Develop and Restore State Property

Authorization: s. 23.098, Wis. Stats.; ch. NR 51, Wis. Admin. Code

Budget: \$250,000 each year

Objective: Provide grants for (a) capital development and (b) habitat restoration on state properties.

Eligibility: Friends groups that are organized to raise funds for a DNR property and have a signed agreement with the DNR, and that are non-stock, nonprofit corporations described under section 501(c)(3) or (4) of the Internal Revenue Code and exempt from taxation under section 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Nonprofit Conservation Organizations that have bylaws, charter or incorporation papers that reflect as a purpose of the organization the acquisition of property for conservation purposes, and that are nonprofit corporations, charitable trusts or other nonprofit associations that are described in section 501 (c) (3) of the internal revenue code and are exempt from federal income tax under section 501 (a) of the internal revenue code.

Level of Assistance: 50% matching grants up to \$20,000.

Priorities:

- ◆ Projects where the stewardship grant leverages other funding in addition to the 50% sponsor match.
- ◆ Projects that expand recreation opportunities.
- ◆ Projects that address public health, environmental, safety, or security problems.
- ◆ Capital improvement projects that expand or improve environmental education, interpretation programs, or outdoor skills development.
- ◆ Habitat restoration projects that are consistent with approved plans governing the management of the property.

Eligible Types of Projects: Trail development and wetland restoration.

Applications: Application forms are available from Janet Beach Hanson.

History: Authorized under the Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Program and reauthorized under the Knowles-Nelson Stewardship 2000 Program, which runs through 2010. Over 50 Friends groups received funding in the first 10 years of the program.

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STEWARDSHIP GRANT PROGRAMS

for Nonprofit Conservation Organizations for Land Acquisition

Authorization: ss. 23.0917, 23.096, 23.092, 23.094, 23.17, 23.175, 23.27, 30.24, Wis. Stats.; ch. NR 51, Wis. Admin. Code

Budget: Variable; a minimum of \$7.5 million each year

Objective: Provide grants for the acquisition of land or easements for conservation purposes.

Eligibility: Nonprofit Conservation Organizations that have bylaws, charter, or incorporation papers that reflect as a purpose of the organization the acquisition of property for conservation purposes, and that are nonprofit corporations, charitable trusts, or other nonprofit associations that are described in section 501 (c) (3) of the internal revenue code and are exempt from federal income tax under section 501 (a) of the internal revenue code.

Level of Assistance: 50% matching grants.

Priorities:

- ◆ Acquisition of land that preserves or enhances the state's water resources, including land in and for the Lower Wisconsin State Riverway, land abutting wild rivers and wild lakes, and land along the shores of the Great Lakes.
- ◆ Acquisition of stream corridors.
- ◆ Acquisition of habitat areas.
- ◆ Acquisition of natural areas.
- ◆ Acquisition of land for state trails, including the Ice Age National Scenic Trail.

Eligible Types of Projects: Fee simple and easement acquisitions.

Applications: Application forms are available from the DNR regional Community Service Specialists.

History: Since its inception, the Stewardship Program has provided approximately \$14 million in grants to nonprofit conservation organizations.

See Also: Urban Green Space, Urban Rivers and Aids for the Acquisition and Development of Local Parks, and Acquisition of Development Rights Programs.

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STEWARDSHIP GRANT PROGRAMS
for Conservation Organizations
for Land Acquisition and Habitat Restoration

Authorization: s. 23.197(4), Wis. Stats.; ch. NR 51, Wis. Admin. Code

Budget: 2003-2004 Fiscal Year = \$100,000
2004-2005 Fiscal Year = \$100,000

Objective: Provide grants for (a) the acquisition of land or easements for conservation or recreation purposes or (b) habitat restoration.

Eligibility: Conservation Organizations that are formed under ch. 181, Wis. Stats., have as one of their purposes the protection, enhancement, or restoration of the state's natural resources for the benefit of the public, and are not 501(c)(3) organizations (as defined by the US Internal Revenue Code).

Level of Assistance: 50% match grants up to \$20,000.

Priorities: None.

Eligible Types of Projects: Fee simple and easement acquisitions and habitat restoration projects.

Applications: Application forms are available from Janet Hanson.

History: Authorized under the Knowles-Nelson Stewardship 2000 Program, which runs through 2010. Over ten Conservation Organizations received funding for habitat restoration projects in the first two years of the program.

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STEWARDSHIP LOCAL ASSISTANCE GRANTS

Aids for the Acquisition & Development of Local Parks (ADLP)

Authorization: s. 23.09(20), Wis. Stats.; ch. NR 51, subchapter XII, Wis. Admin. Code

Budget: 50% of the funds appropriated for the Stewardship Local Assistance Grants; up to \$4 million annually (pending any legislative changes).

Objective: To acquire land, rights in land, and develop public outdoor recreation areas for nature-based outdoor recreation purposes.

Eligibility: Towns, villages, cities, counties, Indian tribes, and nonprofit conservation organizations defined under s. 23.096, Wis. Stats. The county, municipality, or Indian tribe must have an approved Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan.

Level of Assistance: Up to 50% matching grants.

Priorities: Acquisition of land where a scarcity of nature-based outdoor recreation areas exists. Projects that provide access for the greatest number of potential users and provide the greatest opportunities for nature-based outdoor recreation.

Eligible Types of Projects: Acquisition and development of public outdoor recreation areas that provide or enhance nature-based outdoor recreation. The project must be part of an approved Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan. Examples of support facilities include parking areas, sanitary and shelter buildings, signs, interpretive items, and disabled accessibility improvements. Examples of ineligible facilities include sportsfields and tennis courts.

Applications: Applications and instructions are available from DNR regional Community Service Specialists and are due to the regional office by May 1 each year.

History: The Warren Knowles-Gaylord Nelson Stewardship Program was originally launched in 1990 and in its first 10 years was an outstanding success story in achieving its conservation and recreation goals by providing funding for land and easement acquisition and development of recreational facilities. With strong bipartisan support, the Stewardship program was renewed for an additional ten years as part of the 1999-01 Wisconsin State Budget. The ADLP Local Assistance grant program was introduced as part of the original Stewardship Program. The source of funds is through general obligation borrowing. The state of Wisconsin sells bonds to investors now to raise the funds, then pays back the debt over the next 20 years.

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STEWARDSHIP LOCAL ASSISTANCE GRANTS

Acquisition of Development Rights (ADR) Program

Authorization: s. 23.09(20m), Wis. Stats.; ch. NR 51, subchapter XV, Wis. Admin. Code

Budget: 10% of the funds appropriated for the Stewardship Local Assistance Grants; up to \$800,000 per year (pending any legislative changes).

Objective: To acquire development rights (easements) in areas where restrictions on residential, industrial, or commercial development would enhance nature-based outdoor recreation.

Eligibility: Towns, villages, cities, counties, Indian tribes, and nonprofit conservation organizations defined under s. 23.096, Wis. Stats. The county, municipality, or Indian tribe must have an approved Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan.

Level of Assistance: Up to 50% matching grants.

Priorities: Priority is given to projects on land that enhances nature-based outdoor recreation, is threatened by increasing development, has frontage on a river, stream, lake, or estuary, creates a buffer between already protected land and residential, commercial, or industrial development, exists within an environmental corridor connecting protected resource areas, or protects natural, agricultural, forestry, scenic, geological, or archaeological values.

Eligible Types of Projects: Acquisition of development rights that provide or enhance nature-based outdoor recreation areas. The project must be part of an approved Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan.

Applications: Application information and forms are available from the DNR regional Community Services Specialists and are due in the appropriate DNR regional office by May 1 of each year.

History: The Warren Knowles-Gaylord Nelson Stewardship Program was originally launched in 1990 and in its first 10 years was an outstanding success story in achieving its conservation and recreation goals by providing funding for land and easement acquisition and development of recreational facilities. With strong bipartisan support, the Stewardship program was renewed for an additional ten years as part of the 1999-01 Wisconsin State Budget. The ADR Local Assistance grant program was introduced as part of the Stewardship Program's renewal. The source of funds is through general obligation borrowing. The state of Wisconsin sells bonds to investors now to raise the funds, then pays back the debt over the next 20 years.

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STEWARDSHIP LOCAL ASSISTANCE GRANTS

Urban Green Space (UGS) Program

Authorization: s. 23.09(19), Wis. Stats.; ch. NR 51, subchapter XIII, Wis. Admin. Code

Budget: 20% of the funds appropriated for the Stewardship Local Assistance Grants; up to \$1.6 million per year (pending any legislative changes).

Objective: Provide open natural space in proximity to urban development; protect from development land with scenic, ecological or natural values in urban areas; provide land for nature-based outdoor recreation, including noncommercial gardening in urban areas.

Eligibility: Counties, cities, villages, towns, lake districts, Indian tribes, and nonprofit conservation organizations as defined under s. 23.096, Wis. Stats. The county, municipality, or Indian tribe must have an approved Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan.

Level of Assistance: Up to 50% matching grants.

Priorities: Acquisition of land in and around urban areas. Projects that provide access for the greatest number of potential users and provide the greatest opportunities for nature-based outdoor recreation.

Eligible Types of Projects: Land acquisitions that meet the objectives listed above and are part of an approved Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan.

Applications: Application information and forms are available from DNR regional Community Service Specialists and are due in the appropriate DNR regional office by May 1 of each year.

History: The Warren Knowles-Gaylord Nelson Stewardship Program was originally launched in 1990 and in its first 10 years was an outstanding success story in achieving its conservation and recreation goals by providing funding for land and easement acquisition and development of recreational facilities. With strong bipartisan support, the Stewardship program was renewed for an additional ten years as part of the 1999-01 Wisconsin State Budget. The UGS Local Assistance grant program was introduced as part of the original Stewardship Program. The source of funds is through general obligation borrowing. The state of Wisconsin sells bonds to investors now to raise the funds, then pays back the debt over the next 20 years.

Contacts: DNR regional Community Service Specialists; pages 95-98.

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STEWARDSHIP LOCAL ASSISTANCE GRANTS

Urban Rivers (URGP) Program

Authorization: s. 30.277, Wis. Stats.; ch. NR 51, subchapter XIV, Wis. Admin. Code

Budget: 20% of the funds appropriated for the Stewardship Local Assistance Grants; up to \$1.6 million per year (pending any legislative changes).

Objective:

1. Improving the quality of urban waterways and riverfronts through preservation, restoration, or enhancement, which will encourage economic revitalization and expanded nature-based outdoor recreational opportunities. Shoreline enhancements include development or habitat restoration projects that serve public recreation or resource conservation purposes and are dependent on being on a shoreline.
2. Preserving and revitalizing historical, cultural, or natural areas.

Eligibility: Counties, cities, villages, towns, Indian tribes, and nonprofit conservation organizations as defined in s. 23.096, Wis. Stats. The county, municipality, or Indian Tribe must have an approved Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan.

Level of Assistance: Up to 50% matching grants.

Priorities: Acquisition of land in urban areas. Projects that provide access for the greatest number of potential users and provide the greatest opportunities for nature-based outdoor recreation.

Eligible Types of Projects: Acquisition, development, or restoration of urban riverfront land that meets the objectives listed above and is part of an outdoor recreation plan adopted by the local unit of government. Projects that are specifically identified in a river corridor plan for economic revitalization and outdoor recreation.

Applications: Application information and forms are available from DNR regional Community Service Specialists and are due in the appropriate DNR regional office by May 1 of each year.

History: The Warren Knowles-Gaylord Nelson Stewardship Program was originally launched in 1990 and in its first 10 years was an outstanding success story in achieving its conservation and recreation goals by providing funding for land and easement acquisition and development of recreational facilities. With strong bipartisan support, the Stewardship program was renewed for an additional ten years as part of the 1999-01 Wisconsin State Budget. The URGPs Local Assistance grant program was introduced as part of the original Stewardship Program. The source of funds is through general obligation borrowing. The state of Wisconsin sells bonds to investors now to raise the funds, then pays back the debt over the next 20 years.

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SUSTAINABLE FORESTRY GRANT

Authorization: ss. 20.370(5)(bw) and s. 28.11(5r), Wis. Stats.

Budget: \$200,000 annually from the forestry account of the conservation fund

Objective: Provide funding to promote sustainable forestry projects on County Forest Law lands.

Eligibility: Projects must promote sustainable forestry. They shall be consistent with the County's Comprehensive Forest Land Use plan and be short-term workload items. Counties must be in compliance, or working towards compliance, with DNR audit recommendations.

Level of Assistance: Determined by the DNR after each of the first two application periods (Aug. 15 and Dec. 1). First come – first served after Dec. 2. Grants are for a minimum of \$1000 but may not exceed 25% of the available funds in any one year.

Priorities: First preference is storm-related projects and hiring of temporary staff to address short term sustainable forestry workload items. Remaining qualifying projects are grouped under second priority.

Eligible Types of Projects: Projects must promote sustainable forestry on County Forest Land. Grants are not eligible for land acquisition, permanent staff or benefits, upgrades to existing computer software and hardware or land surveying.

Applications: Sustainable Forestry Grant request deadlines are August 15 for the first application period and December 1 for the second application period. First-come, first-serve thereafter.

History: Initiated in 2002.

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Website: None at this time

NONPOINT SOURCE -- TARGETED RUNOFF MANAGEMENT GRANTS

Authorization: s. 281.65 Wis. Stats., ch. NR 153, Wis. Admin. Code

Budget: 2003-2004 Fiscal Year = \$ 3,730,000
2004-2005 Fiscal Year = \$ 2,000,000

Objective: Improve water quality by limiting or ending nonpoint (runoff) sources of water pollution. Provide financial assistance to both county and non-permitted municipal units of governmental statewide to either construct best management practices themselves or contract with individual landowners to install such practices.

Eligibility: All Wisconsin governmental units.

Level of Assistance: Reimbursement to eligible governmental units for up to 70% of eligible costs to install best management practices to reduce water pollution.

Priorities: Focused in critical watershed and lake areas where nonpoint source-related water quality problems are most severe and control is most feasible.

Eligible Types of Projects: Construction and installation of both urban and agricultural best management practices.

Applications: Wisconsin cities, towns, villages, tribes and counties apply annually; deadline is April 15th. Applicants compete statewide; applications with the highest scores are funded until all available funds have been allocated. Grants are made for specific projects and have a 2-year implementation time frame.

History: The Targeted Runoff Management grant program was created by 1997-99 State Budget Bill (Act 27). The first applications were submitted in CY 1998, and the first TRM grants were issued in CY 1999. Through CY 2005, 149 TRM grants have been issued, committing \$14.5-million.

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Appropriate DNR regional Nonpoint Coordinators; see pages 95-98.

Website: <http://www.dnr.state.wi.us/org/water/wm/nps/npsprogram.html#trm>

TRAIL AMBASSADOR PROGRAM

Authorization: ss. 23.33(5m) and 120.370(5)(cx), Wis. Stats.

Budget: 2001-2002 Fiscal Year = \$268,000
2002-2003 Fiscal Year = \$250,000
2003-2004 Fiscal Year = \$100,000 Passage of legislation effective
April added \$150,000 = total \$250,000

Objective: The objective of this grant is to maintain and increase ATV riding opportunities in Wisconsin by:

- ◆ Promoting the public operation of ATVs safely and responsibly and in a way that it does not harm the environment or conflict with laws, rules or department policies;
- ◆ Providing support to ATV clubs;
- ◆ Collecting ATV operation data related to trail use to help establish needs and priorities;
- ◆ Increasing current and future ATV operator participation;
- ◆ Informing communities about appropriate ATV uses and the economic benefits that may be gained by bringing ATV users to the area;
- ◆ Developing, improving, and maintaining relationships with the Department of Tourism, ATV dealers, manufacturers, snowmobile clubs, and other organizations that promote the recreational use of ATVs;
- ◆ Locating, recruiting, and training additional safety instructors;
- ◆ Recruiting and training "Trail Ambassadors";
- ◆ Promoting the ATV image in a positive light so the public can form opinions about ATV use based on ethical and responsible riders.

Eligibility: An organization shall meet all of the following requirements:

- ◆ The organization is a non-stock corporation organized in this state.
- ◆ The organization promotes the operation of all-terrain vehicles in a manner that is safe and responsible and that does not harm the environment.
- ◆ The organization promotes the operation of all-terrain vehicles in a manner that does not conflict with the laws, rules, and departmental policies that relate to the operation of all-terrain vehicles.
- ◆ The interest of the organization is limited to the recreational operation of all-terrain vehicles on all-terrain vehicle trails and other areas that are off the highways.
- ◆ The organization has a board of directors that has a majority of members who are representatives of all-terrain vehicle clubs.
- ◆ The organization provides support to all-terrain vehicle clubs.

Level of Assistance: Up to 100% of available funding may be provided to one nonprofit organization meeting eligibility requirements to accomplish the objectives listed above

Priorities: The three top priorities for this grant project are:

- ◆ Locating, recruiting, and training additional safety instructors
- ◆ Recruiting and training "Trail Ambassadors"
- ◆ Promoting the ATV image in a positive light so the public can form opinions about ATV use based on ethical and responsible riders

Eligible Types of Projects: A Statewide ATV group with a mission that meets all the objectives listed.

Applications: Applications may be obtained by contacting the DNR at the address below. Applications will only be accepted following an announcement each July.

History: This grant was established by the 2001 Legislature becoming effective September 2001. The grant was re-authorized by the Budget Bill of 2003 with a \$100,000 annual appropriation. Legislation in 2004 raised the appropriation by an additional \$150,000 to a total of \$250,000 annually.

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URBAN FORESTRY

Authorization: U.S. Public Law 95-313, § 6(b); s. 23.097, Wis. Stats.;
ch. NR 47, subchapters I and V, Wis. Admin. Code

Budget: 2003-2004 Fiscal Year = \$680,000
2004-2005 Fiscal Year = \$650,000 (est.)
Contingent upon availability of federal and state funding.

Objective: To provide technical service and financial assistance to communities for developing urban forestry programs.

Eligibility: Cities, villages, towns, counties, Indian tribes, and non-profit organizations.

Level of Assistance: 50% cost sharing of eligible project costs to do approved practices. Grants range from a minimum of \$1,000 to a maximum of \$25,000.

Priorities: Developing urban forest strategic and management plans; special focus on communities needing to conduct a street tree inventory and/or needing to train their workers.

Eligible Types of Projects: Conducting street tree inventories, training city tree workers, developing urban open space programs, developing urban forestry strategic or management plans, developing public awareness programs, developing tree risk or tree health care programs, and tree planting and maintenance.

Applications: Available upon request from the contact below. Annual submittal deadline is October 1.

History: Authorized in 1993, the urban forestry grant program has awarded \$6.25 million in cost sharing to local governments and nonprofit organizations to support local urban forest management efforts.

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NONPOINT SOURCE -- URBAN NONPOINT SOURCE AND STORMWATER GRANTS

Authorization: s. 281.66, Wis. Stats.; ch. NR 155, Wis. Admin. Code

Budget: 2003-05 Biennium = \$3,750,000

Objective: Improve water quality by limiting or ending sources of nonpoint source (runoff) water pollution. Providing financial and technical assistance to urban units of government.

Eligibility: Wisconsin municipalities meeting statutory urban density.

Level of Assistance: Reimbursement of up to 70% of eligible costs for eligible planning activities and up to 50% for installing best management practices to reduce water pollution.

Priorities: Focused in critical watershed and lake areas where nonpoint-source-related water quality problems are most severe and control is most feasible.

Eligible Types of Projects: Stormwater planning, erosion control ordinance development, stormwater utility feasibility studies, construction of detention ponds, and infiltration practices.

Applications: Applications are solicited from eligible local units of government in January; deadline is April 15th. Applicants compete statewide; applications with the highest scores are funded until all available funds have been allocated. Grants are made for specific projects and have a 2-year implementation time frame.

History: The Urban Nonpoint & Stormwater grant program was created by Act 9, the 1999-01 State Budget Bill. The first grants were issued for the 2000-01 (CY) grant cycle. Through the 2005 CY, 267 grants have been issued, totaling \$28.5-million in funding.

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Appropriate DNR regional Nonpoint Coordinator; see pages 95-98.

Website: <http://www.dnr.state.wi.us/org/water/wm/nps/npsprogram.html#trm>

URBAN WILDLIFE DAMAGE ABATEMENT AND CONTROL (UWDAC)

Authorization: ss. 29.887(1), (2), and (3), Wis. Stats.; ss. NR 50.01 through 50.05 and 50.23, Wis. Admin. Code

Budget: Biennial appropriation (State/SEG) - \$50,000 (\$25,000 each year of biennium)
2004-2005 Fiscal Year = \$25,000
2006-2007 Fiscal Year = \$25,000

Objective: To provide matching grants to urban communities for projects to plan wildlife abatement measures or to engage in wildlife control efforts or both. Program is limited to Canada geese and white-tailed deer.

Eligibility: Designated urban area, pursuant to s. 86.196(1)(c), Wis. Stats.

Level of Assistance: 50% matching grant for eligible project costs; limit \$5,000.

Priorities: Development of an urban wildlife population control plan; prevention and abatement of wildlife damage to human safety, health or property.

Eligible Types of Projects:

- ◆ Develop an urban wildlife population control plan.
- ◆ Monitor wildlife populations and establish population estimates.
- ◆ Remove deer under a DNR-approved project that uses sharpshooters.
- ◆ Trap and translocate deer and geese.
- ◆ Implement managed hunts.
- ◆ Remove resident Canada geese by methods approved by the DNR.
- ◆ Perform required health and tissue sampling.
- ◆ Process, distribute or dispose of geese or deer to a charitable organization.
- ◆ Modify habitat.
- ◆ Implement any other wildlife control or damage abatement practices approved by the DNR.

Applications: Available upon request from the contact below and on the DNR website. Submittal deadline is December 1 of each year.

History: This program was created in 1999 to assist urban areas with grant funding for a variety of wildlife damage and abatement control measures for white-tailed deer and Canada geese.

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Website: <http://dnr.wi.gov/org/caer/cfa/lr/urbanwildlife/grants.html>

VOLUNTEER FIRE ASSISTANCE

Authorization: 16 U.S.C. §2101 (also known as Federal Cooperative Forestry Assistance Act, as amended by the Forest Stewardship Act of 1990)

Budget: (from federal VFA/Title 2)
2003-2004 Fiscal Year = \$107,235
2004-2005 Fiscal Year = \$100,000 (estimate)

Objective: To organize, train, and provide equipment to fire departments.

Eligibility: County fire organizations.

Level of Assistance: 50% matching grant for eligible project costs; limit \$10,000 maximum; \$1,500 minimum.

Priorities: County fire organizations in the cooperative (COOP) fire areas of the state that have never had a VFA grant and request a project with county wide impact.; county fire organizations in the intensive and extensive fire areas of the state that requests have a county wide impact..

Eligible Types of Projects:

- ◆ Personal Protective Equipment: Personal safety equipment—wildland fire , must meet NIOSH (National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health), NFPA (National Fire Protection Association) or OSHA (Occupational Safety and Health Administration) standards.
- ◆ Organization: New fire department start-up efforts (first three years only).
- ◆ Communication Equipment: Radios/Pagers (must be compatible with the state governmental radio plan and narrowband capable); mobile multi-channel radios (must include county fire and FIRECOM, WISTAC and MARC frequencies).
- ◆ Prevention Projects: Posters, handouts, , numbering systems, urban interface videos and brochures.
- ◆ Dry Hydrants: Dry stand pipes used to draft water from natural water sources.
- ◆ Equipment: Portable pumps, hoses, Class A foam/foam equipment, and wildland tools, equipment.
- ◆ Training: Videos; instructional materials; wildland and incident command system certified training and tuition for attending classes .

Applications: Mailed to all county fire associations in Wisconsin in mid-April of each year; also available upon request and from the DNR website. Submittal deadline is July 1 of each year.

History: This program was created by the federal government in 1978 to organize, train, and equip local fire forces for fire preparedness and mobilization.

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WASTE REDUCTION AND RECYCLING DEMONSTRATION GRANTS

Authorization: s. 287.25, Wis. Stats.; ch. NR 548, Wis. Admin. Code

Budget: 2003-2004 Fiscal Year = \$500,000
2004-2005 Fiscal Year = \$500,000

Objective: To provide financial assistance to initiate or accelerate the demonstration of innovative waste reduction and recycling ideas which could potentially be expanded to have a major impact on reducing the amount of solid waste landfilled or treated.

Eligibility: Wisconsin counties, municipalities, public entities, businesses and nonprofit organizations are eligible to apply. The applicant must provide evidence of having the technical ability, experience and financial support necessary to successfully carry out the project. Projects for which funding is requested must implement reduction, reuse or recycling of solid waste, must be conducted on a demonstration or pilot scale, and must be innovative to the industry or the state (except for projects applying under the RFP portion of the program).

Level of Assistance: The maximum grant award is \$150,000 or 50% of the total eligible costs of the project (75% of the total eligible costs for community-wide waste reduction demonstration projects), whichever is less. The applicant must match the grant in cash or through in-kind contributions such as labor, equipment, or facilities. Grant recipients may receive 75% of the grant amount initially and the remainder upon approval of the final project report and final audited costs by the DNR.

Priorities: The program funds solid waste reduction, reuse and recycling projects that contribute to the reduction of solid waste being landfilled or treated.

Eligible Types of Projects: A project must demonstrate an innovative technique, process, or system, must be conducted on a pilot scale which could have applicability to others in Wisconsin, and must contribute to reducing the amount of solid waste landfilled.

Applications: Applications are due August 1 of each year with grants being awarded by November 1. Applications must be made on forms provided by the DNR.

History: Since 1991, the program has funded 174 projects totaling more than \$11 million.

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WELL COMPENSATION GRANT PROGRAM

Authorization: s. 281.75, Wis. Stats., and ch. NR 123, Wis. Admin. Code

Budget: 2005-2007 Fiscal Year = \$400,000

Objective: To provide financial assistance to replace, reconstruct or treat contaminated private water supplies.

Eligibility: Owner of a contaminated private water supply that serves a residence or is used for water for livestock. Contamination must be other than bacteria as determined by DNR health advisory issued due to the contaminated well. The eligible cost amounts for these projects are set by DNR funding tables found in ch. NR 123, Wis. Admin. Code. Well construction work must be done according to DNR specifications and the contaminated well must be properly abandoned and filled before payment will be made.

The following costs are not eligible for reimbursement through this grant program:

- ◆ Wells serving commercial establishments.
- ◆ Private wells that do not meet the contamination criteria established
- ◆ Annual family income is more than \$65,000.
- ◆ Costs for any work done before claim is filed and approved by the DNR.

Level of Assistance: 75% of allowable costs, but not more than \$9,000. The amount of the grant is reduced by \$.30 for each \$1.00 of the applicant's annual family income over \$45,000.

Priorities: Applications are processed on a first-come, first-served basis until available funds are exhausted.

Eligible Types of Projects: The well compensation grant program provides partial cost sharing for the following projects:

- ◆ Water testing if it shows that the well is contaminated;
- ◆ Reconstructing a contaminated well;
- ◆ Constructing a new well;
- ◆ Connecting to an existing private or public water supply;
- ◆ Installing a new pump, including the associated piping;
- ◆ Properly abandoning the contaminated well;
- ◆ Equipment for water treatment (if no other option is feasible);
- ◆ Providing a temporary bottled or trucked water supply

Applications: Available from the **DNR Region Water Supply Specialist.**

If you suspect that your well is contaminated, the first thing you should do is call your DNR Region Office Water Supply Specialist. The DNR Water Supply Specialist can help you determine the nature of your water problem, possible solutions, whether or not you are eligible for a well compensation grant and if so supply you with the application claim forms.

To apply for a grant you must meet the eligibility criteria and fill out the application claim forms provided to you by the DNR Region Water Supply Specialist. Your claim must include information about your existing well and the contamination problems as well as a description and cost estimate of the most feasible solution to solve the problem. Possible alternatives include reconstructing your existing well, constructing a new well or connecting to a nearby contaminant-free water supply. If none of these alternatives are feasible, you might be allowed to install state-approved water treatment equipment. Your claim must also include a copy of your Wisconsin state income tax return for the previous year to show that you are income eligible.

The Department of Natural Resources is required by the Internal Revenue Service to send a 1099G for tax filing purposes as a result of payment for a "Well Compensation Grant Award Program Claim." It is the department's understanding that "awards to individuals" is considered "other income." If the "Well Compensation Grant Award Claimant" is concerned with how the receipt of the grant award might affect their standing to receive food stamps, Medicare, or other such services or programs, you may wish to check with a representative of that program, social worker or other such person. Additional information regarding income tax issues can be obtained at www.irs.gov or the IRS hotline # 1-800-829-1040.

History: Since January 1, 1985, the State of Wisconsin has been fortunate to have a program that can help owners of contaminated private water supplies. This program, called "Well Compensation", was established by the Comprehensive Groundwater Bill of 1984. It was designed by the Wisconsin Legislature to provide replacement water supplies to help assure access to water free of toxic chemicals, regardless of fault.

Contact: The **DNR Region Office Water Supply Specialist** in your area for **eligibility determination and completion of the application claim.**

The DNR Region office main phone numbers are as follows:

Northern Region:	(715) 635-2101
West Central Region:	(715) 839-3700
South Central Region:	(608) 275-3267
Northeast Region:	(920) 662-5100
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WILDLIFE DAMAGE PROGRAM

Authorization: ss. 29.885 and 29.889, Wis. Stats.

Budget: Funding is dependent upon the number of hunting licenses issued each year.

2001-02 Fiscal Year = \$3.5 million (est.)

2002-03 Fiscal Year = \$3.3 million (est.)

2003-04 Fiscal Year = \$3.4 million (est.)

NOTE: A \$1 surcharge on all hunting licenses sold generates roughly \$1.0 million a year for use on wildlife damage and abatement. A new \$12 resident and \$20 nonresident bonus deer permit fee generated \$2.5 million in FY 02, \$2.2 million in FY 03 and \$2.3 million in FY04. New in 2002, purchasers of hunting licenses can donate an additional \$1, or more, to the deer donation program.

Objective: Establish a county-administered wildlife damage abatement and claims program to assist landowners with excessive levels of agricultural crop damage from deer, bears, geese, elk or turkeys.

Eligibility and Applications: Counties are eligible to participate after passing a resolution endorsing participation and completing a DNR-approved plan of administration. A person is required; to file a statement of claim with the department on a form acceptable to the department within 14 days after the wildlife damage first occurs, to have hunting access control, and to implement recommended abatement measures.

Level of Assistance: 100% of county administration costs and 75% of abatement projects are reimbursable. Damage claims (\$250 deductible) up to \$15,000 may also be paid if funding is sufficient.

Priorities: Monies are allocated based on a statewide tiered priority system:

- ◆ County administrative costs
- ◆ Abatement cost
- ◆ Damage claim payment
- ◆ Deer donation program

Eligible Types of Projects: The type of wildlife damage that is eligible for wildlife damage claim payments shall be limited to damage to commercial seedlings or crops growing on agricultural land, damage to crops that have been harvested for sale or further use but have not been removed from the agricultural land, damage to orchard trees or nursery stock or damage to apiaries or livestock.

History: In 2003, 70 counties participated in the program which paid 614 claims reflecting \$2,404,997 in appraised losses, with \$1,838,553 eligible for payment, and assisted with abatement projects totaling \$312,745. The county administration costs were \$957,266. In 2003, 53 counties participated in the deer donation program with a total cost of \$460,972. A total of 6,771 deer were donated, generating roughly 305,000 lbs. of ground venison that was distributed to local food pantries.

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WISCONSIN FOREST LANDOWNER GRANT PROGRAM (WFLGP)

Authorization: s. 26.38, Wis. Stats.; ch. NR 47, Wis. Admin. Code

Budget: \$1.25 million annually.

Objective: Provide financial assistance, in the form of reimbursement, to private forest landowners to implement practices that protect, maintain and enhance forest resources including wetlands, threatened and endangered resources, and wildlife habitat.

Eligibility: Private non-industrial forest owners of at least 10 acres but no more than 500 forested acres who have an approved forest stewardship management plan or are applying for a management plan. Eligible landowners include: individuals, foreign owners, joint owners, groups and associations, corporations without publicly traded stock, and other private legal entities.

Level of Assistance: 50% to 65% of the approved cost of the project. Maximum levels are set by the local forester prior to awarding a grant.

Priorities: Applications are accepted year-round, and awarded on the basis of priority. High priority practices include stewardship plan development, reforestation, afforestation, and timberstand improvement. Up to 80% of the available WFLGP funding will go to these practices. Next all other practices will be funded as a low priority practice with the remaining funds. If funds are still available after both high and low practices are funded, awaiting applications will be funded on a first come first serve basis.

Eligible Types of Projects: Cost-sharing is available for the following practices: Preparation of landowner Forest Stewardship plans, tree planting, forest stand improvement, threatened or endangered species protection, soil and water protection and improvement, riparian and wetland protection and improvement, fisheries habitat improvement, and wildlife habitat enhancement.

Applications: Landowners can apply at the local DNR forester's office. Applications may be submitted at anytime but are processed only three times each year.

History: Since its inception in 1998, this program has provided over \$5 million in reimbursement to more than 4,000 Wisconsin landowners.

Contacts: DNR Regional Forestry Offices

or

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DNR Contacts for Lake Grants

Your first and primary contact for lake management projects contact is the lakes coordinator. Additional information on lake grants and DNR lake programs can be found at <http://www.dnr.state.wi.us/org/water/fhp/lakes/index.htm>

NER Northeast Region including the following counties: Door, Fond du Lac, Green Lake, Kewaunee, Manitowoc, Marinette, Marquette, Menominee, Oconto, (W) Outagamie, Shawano, Waushara, Waupaca, (NW and S) Winnebago	
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WAL – Wisconsin Association of Lakes This is a statewide organization of lake groups, set up to promote public policy, advance education and strengthen local leadership.

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U.W. – Lakes Extension This office provides lake education and organization assistance .

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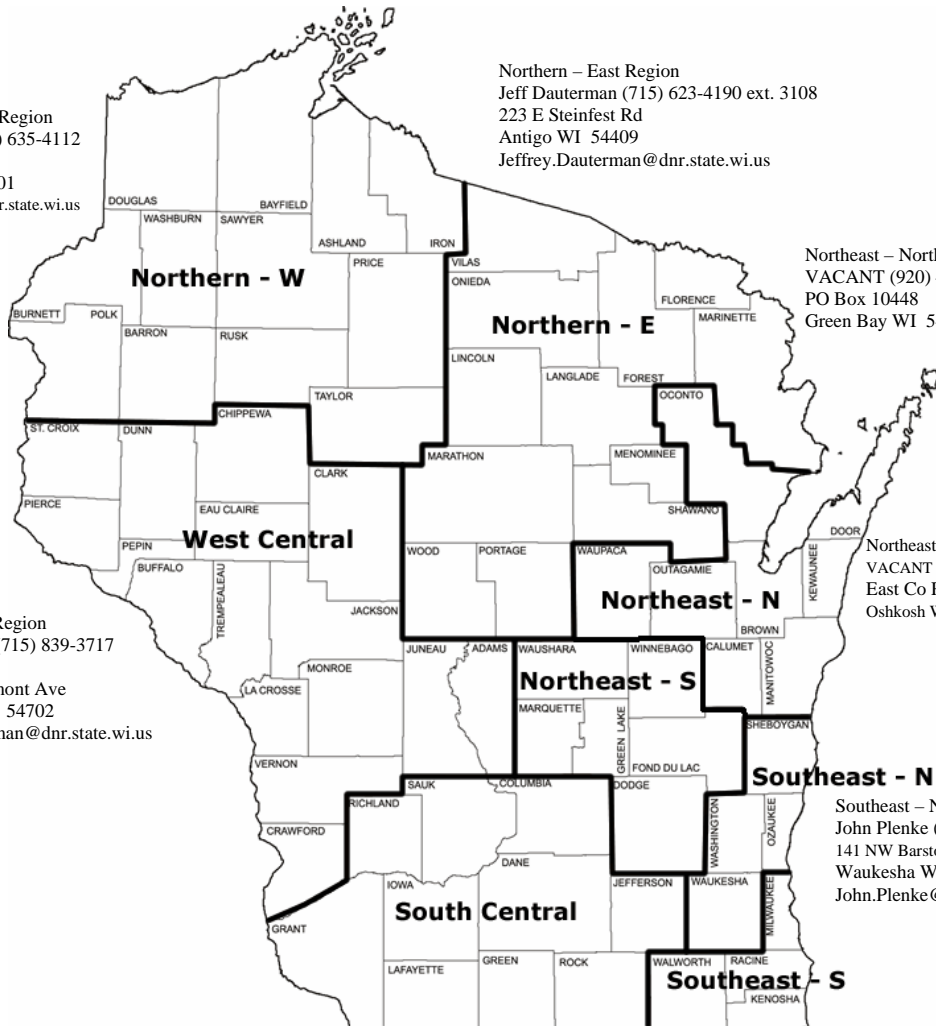
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Lake Coordinators – See pages 92-93

Nonpoint Source Regional Coordinator

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Recreational Safety Wardens – See page 94

River Coordinators – See pages 99-100

Recycling Regional Contact - See page 101

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River Coordinators – See pages 99-100

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River Coordinators – See pages 99-100

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Recycling Regional Coordinators – See page 101

River Coordinators – See pages 99-100

DNR Contacts for River Protection Grants

For assistance with specific or science-related aspects of your project, contact the River Coordinator in your area. For assistance with financial questions, contact the Environmental Grant Specialists. For assistance with land acquisition or conservation easement projects, contact the Community Service Specialist or Environmental Grant Specialist as indicated.

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For information on registering nonprofit corporations/organizations, see Commerce web page:
<http://www.commerce.state.wi.us/MT/MT-FAX-0966.html>

For searching for information on non-stock organizations, see Wisconsin Department of Financial Institutions (WDFI) web page:
<http://www.wdfi.org/corporations/crispix/> Corporate Registration Information System (CRIS) record search

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